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Strasbourg, 18 May 2017

Re: Consultation – European Rules on the Conditions of Administrative Detention of migrants

Dear Sir/Madam,

The Council of Europe is currently working on the preparation of a draft legal instrument of the Committee of Ministers to member states on the conditions of administrative detention of migrants.

Under the authority of the European Committee on Legal Co-operation (CDCJ), a committee of experts is instructed to codify a detailed set of immigration detention rules based on existing international and regional human rights standards.

This consultation aims to involve civil society and key actors in the elaboration process of this codifying instrument by consulting them on the draft text enclosed.

Please note that this process of codification is limited to existing standards. It does not aim to establish new standards.

I would be grateful if you could send your observations and, with a view to collecting the greatest number of comments, disseminate it among other relevant parties, inviting them to reply in so far as possible by **30 June 2017** at DGI-CDCJ@coe.int. Every contribution (in English or French) will be most welcome and appreciated.

In light of the observations arising from this consultation, the Committee will finalise and approve the draft legal instrument before submitting it to the Committee of Ministers for adoption.

I thank you for your co-operation.

Your faithfully,

Zuzana Fišerová
Chair

European Committee on Legal Co-operation

Enclosures:

Draft legal instrument on the conditions of administrative detention of migrants