

Question for written answer E-000124/2025

to the Commission

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Subject: Violations identified by the Council of Europe anti-torture committee in detention and return centres in Italy

The detention and return centres (CPRs) in Italy represent a serious violation of human rights and migrants' rights, as established by the Council of Europe's European Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment during a visit to the CPRs in Milan, Gradisca, Potenza and Rome from 2 to 12 April 2024.

The replies provided by the Italian Government are attached to the committee's report, which was published on 13 December 2024.

The report highlights inhumane conditions, mistreatment and excessive use of force by the police without independent monitoring, disproportionate security measures, administration of unprescribed psychotropic drugs and the violation of confidentiality during medical examinations, as well as a lack of transparency in management by private contractors.

We consider the high level of criticality to be a direct consequence of the disproportionate safety restrictions applied by the Italian Government.

The Commission is therefore asked to specify whether:

1. the report has already been evaluated, and whether it considers the answers provided by the Italian Government to be exhaustive;
2. it is considering launching infringement proceedings against the Italian Government for the violation of fundamental human rights and for the rights of migrants detained in the CPRs;
3. it believes that this model should also be applied in extraterritorial contexts, such as in Albania.

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