

**Response of the Slovak Republic to the OHCHR request for information concerning  
the status of the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from  
Enforced Disappearance**

The International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (hereinafter referred to as “Convention”) was signed by the president of the Slovak Republic on 26th September 2007 at 62nd General Assembly of the United Nations.

The proposal for ratification of the Convention was a matter of discussion by the Government of the Slovak Republic at its session held on 14th May 2014. The Government of the Slovak Republic approved of the ratification concerned as well as recognized the competence of the Committee on Enforced Disappearances according to articles 31 and 32 of the Convention.

Before the ratification of the Convention by the Government of the Slovak Republic the legal analysis regarding the implementation of the Convention into the legal system of the Slovak Republic has been performed by the Minister of Justice of the Slovak Republic together with the Minister of Interior of the Slovak Republic and the Prosecutor General of the Slovak Republic. Following the legal analysis the Criminal Code of the Slovak Republic was amended and the new criminal offence – Enforced Disappearance was introduced into article 420a of the Criminal Code of the Slovak Republic (the Amendment No. 262/2011 Coll. came into force on 1st September 2011). Besides, the Act 48/2002 Coll. concerning the residence of foreigners and conditions for administrative deportations was abrogated and the new Act No. 404/2011 Coll. was approved.