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Emne: Request for information on good practices in the establishment, preservation and provision of access to national archives on human rights - replies from Norway

Dear Ms. Nekane Lavin,

With reference to your letter of 18 April 2013, find below replies on questionnaire for Member States Human Rights Council resolution 21/7 on "Right to the truth"

1.1 Does the Member State have a national archive policy on human rights which is enacted in law?

Reply: Yes. Norway have a national archive policy. This policy include document about human rights. The policy is enacted in law.

1.2 Does the legislation declare that the nation's documentary heritage is to be retained and preserved?

Reply: Yes, however the formulation "nation's documentary heritage" is not used in the legislation. The legislation declare that documentary which have great cultural value and value for research, and public documentary on legal rights and public managements is to be retained and preserved.

1.3 Does the legislation create the framework for managing State records? Does it provide the mandate of the archival authority and set out the rules for its operations?

Reply: Yes.

1.4 Does the legislation establish clear criteria and prosedures for access to archives?

Reply: Yes.

1.5 Does the Member State have information on what it iditifies as good practices in the development of capacity to manage records?

Reply: Yes.

1.6 Does the Member State have information on what it considers to be good practices in the training of archive staff as well as the development of guides to manage records?

Reply: Yes.

1.7 Does the Member State have information on what it identifies av good practices on physical security on archival institutions?

Reply: Yes.

1.8 Does the Member State have a proactive outreach programme aimed at making people aware of what archives exist and what services are available to them?

Reply: Yes.

Yours,

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