Reply by Slovakia to Notes Verbales CU 2013/183 and CU 2013/258
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The ministries of justice and interior (as well as Office of the Prosecutor General) are the competent national authorities as regards the gender-related killings of women and girls. Ministry of Justice does not register (on the basis of data received from the courts) any cases of persons condemned to imprisonment sentence for devious murders with a premeditated bias/motive of gender-based killings of women and girls (feminicide), or any person convicted for such offences.

However, in case of those crimes, the relevant national legal framework for the protection of women and girls in Slovakia has been established, in particular, by the Slovak Criminal Code (No. 300/2005 Coll. as amended) and by the Slovak Code of Criminal Procedure (No. 301/2005 Coll. as amended). Pursuant to provisions of Section 144 ("Premeditated murder") of the Slovak Criminal Code: "Whoever intentionally kills another person with advance premeditated bias/motive, shall be punished by imprisonment sentence of twenty to twenty-five years".

The national institutional framework for the protection of women and girls from feminicide consists particularly of the law enforcement bodies, courts, the Council of the Government of the Slovak Republic for Crime Prevention (government advisory body), Expert Group for prevention of violence against women and in families and relevant departments at the respective ministries (particularly at the Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic, Ministry of Interior of the Slovak Republic, Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs and Family of the Slovak Republic).