

OPINION No. 8/1997 (FRANCE)

Communication addressed to the Government on 26 July 1996.

Concerning: Mr. Miloud Mekadem.

France is a party to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights.

1. The Working Group on Arbitrary Detention was established by resolution 1991/42 of the Commission on Human Rights. The mandate of the Working Group was clarified and extended by resolution 1997/50. Acting in accordance with its methods of work, the Working Group forwarded to the Government the above-mentioned communication.
2. The Working Group conveys its appreciation to the Government for having forwarded the requisite information in good time.
3. The Working Group also notes that the Government concerned has informed the Group that the above-mentioned person is no longer in detention. This fact has also been confirmed by the source of the communication.
4. Having examined the available information and without prejudging the nature of the detention, the Working Group decides to file the case of Miloud Mekadem under the terms of paragraph 14.1 (a) of its methods of work.

Adopted on 15 May 1997.