

## FINAL REPORT

During my research stay at the Open Society Archives from June, 1 - July 31, 2014 I have been working on three projects<sup>1</sup>. The first project was entitled: *Situation of drug users in communist societies – developing a better understanding of the past, the present and the future through evaluating human rights reports*. In conducting the study I relied on available at OSA human rights reports, medical/public health information on drug use (including the issue of HIV/AIDS among drug users), reports on drug use as a violation of criminal provisions in communist states, and conditions in prisons (particularly as regards to health issues). Based on the research I prepared an article: *Delivery of health services to imprisoned drug users in post-communist countries – developing a better understanding of the past, the present and the future through analysis of legislation and practice in Poland*. In the article I presented a comprehensive overview with regard to the legislative situation of delivery of health care services to drug users in prisons in Poland.

For the research I consulted following human rights reports: **HU OSA 341-1-30 until HU OSA 341-1-32 (Publications of the Human Rights Watch relating to Eastern Europe)**, **HU OSA 318-0-5-16, HU OSA 318-0-5-17, HU OSA 318-0-5-18, HU OSA 318-0-5-64, HU OSA 318-0-5-89, HU OSA 318-0-5-101 (Records of the International Helsinki Federation for Human Rights relating to criminal policies, arrests in different socialist countries)**. In order to get a picture of a health situation in prisons during this period I looked into: **Records of the Radio Free Europe HU OSA 300-7-10-7 (prisons), HU OSA 300-7-8-9 (Yugoslavia prisons), HU OSA 300-7-7-24 (Czechoslovakia prisons), HU OSA 300-7-6-28 (USSR prisons), HU OSA 300-7-4-6 (Bulgaria prisons), HU OSA 300-7-3-11 (Romania prisons), HU OSA 300-7-2-13 (Poland prisons), HU OSA 300-7-1-14 (Hungary prisons), HU OSA 300-10-3-61, HU OSA 300-10-2-346, HU OSA 300-10-2-347 (Yugoslavia prisons)**. I also examined articles in the following journals: *Human Rights in USSR 1972-1975*, *Amnesty Action*, *Amnesty International Newsletter 1973-1993*, *Human Rights Watch 1985-1993*, *Problemy alkoholizmu 1971-1989*.

The second research project is a book chapter on transformation of the freedom of speech in Poland entitled: *Revolution of evolution? Structural transformations towards freedom of speech in Poland in the years 1989-1992*. It describes legal developments of the right to free speech in Poland during the period of transformation, and presents the legal and structural reforms from 1989-1992 in their social context. To complete the article I consulted following archives: **HU OSA 300-50-1-159, HU OSA 300-50-1-160 and HU OSA 300-50-1-161 (107.2)**.

The third research project is entitled: *Crimes of Hate or Acts of Mercy? Legal Evaluation of Contemporary Cases of Non-Consensual Sterilizations of Romani Women in Central European Countries*. This project will provide a comparative picture of the laws and policies governing sterilization in Hungary, Czech Republic and Slovakia and

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their practice with an overview of international human rights laws and standards, including an analysis of the socio-historic background. At OSA I looked into materials relating to delivery of health services and discrimination of Roma people in Hungary, Czech Republic and Slovakia. I looked into following archives: **HU OSA 300-40-2-30, HU OSA 300-40-2-31 (health in Hungary), HU OSA 300-30-8-20 (Roma in Czechoslovakia), HU OSA 300-30-8-25 (health in Czechoslovakia), HU OSA 300-50-1-478 (Roma in Poland), HU OSA 300-30-7-267 (minorities in Czechoslovakia), HU OSA 300-30-7- 270 and HU OSA 300-30-7-271 (Roma in Czechoslovakia), HU OSA 300-30-7-350 until HU OSA 300-30-7-358 (health in Czechoslovakia), HU OSA 300-30-3-37 Roma in Czechoslovakia), HU OSA 300-30-3-36 (minorities in Czechoslovakia), HU OSA 205-4-50-17 (minorities in Slovakia), HU OSA 205-4-50-18 (Roma in Slovakia), HU OSA 205-4-40-27 (minorities in Czech Republic), HU OSA 205-4-40-28 (Roma in Czech Republic), HU OSA 300-30-24-1 until HU OSA 300-30-24-15 (press surveys, Czechoslovakia).**

Attachments:

1. Article: *Delivery of health services to imprisoned drug users in post-communist countries – developing a better understanding of the past, the present and the future through analysis of legislation and practice in Poland.*
2. Book chapter (in Polish): *Revolution of evolution? Structural transformations towards freedom of speech in Poland in the years 1989-1992.*
3. Description of a research project of an article *Crimes of Hate or Acts of Mercy? Legal Evaluation of Contemporary Cases of Non-Consensual Sterilizations of Romani Women in Central European Countries.*