



## HUMAN RIGHTS AND EQUALITY INSTITUTION OF TURKEY

1. Human Rights and Equality Institution (HREI) of Turkey, established under the Law No. 6701, is mandated to fight against discrimination. Applications can be filed to the Institution with the allegations of discrimination in all areas of social life. In case of violation of non-discrimination principle, an administrative fine ranging from one thousand Turkish lira to fifteen thousand Turkish lira depending on the gravity of the effects and consequences of such violation. In this context, applications regarding discrimination on the right to housing can be examined by the Institution.

At this point, it is necessary to mention the recent decision of the Institution on right to housing. In the present case, the house was not rented to single mother because of her marital status. The Institution examined the matter on the merits, and decided to imposed an administrative fine of 2000 Turkish Liras to the land lord and 1000 TL to the real estate agent who mediated this discriminatory treatment with the host.

Details of this decision can be found on the official website of the Institution.

<http://tihek.gov.tr/wp-content/uploads/2018/08/2018-69.pdf>

2. According to Law No. 6701, HREI of Turkey is responsible for training in the field of human rights. In this context, training and awareness raising activities are carried out especially for those who have the potential to be exposed to or discriminate against in society. These studies include consultation committee meetings, in-service training studies and other awareness raising efforts.

5. Emerging from the idea of “leaving no one behind” the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) 2030, draws the framework of the relationship between human rights and the SDGs. The high degree of convergence between human rights and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development implies that existing human rights mechanisms can directly assess and guide the implementation of the 2030 Agenda. In this respect, under the Goal 11 “Sustainable Cities and Communities”, right to “adequate housing” was an important indicator. As the Human Rights and Equality Institution of Turkey we believe that right to housing is a significant part of our mandate. As reflected in the answer no



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1 The Institution' decision regarding discrimination on the grounds of marital status, also related to right to housing.