

I am express my grave concern on a community of approximately 1300 Romanian Roma who is facing an imminent forced eviction from the informal settlement of Gianturco in Naples, in southern Italy. Around 200 of the Roma will be rehoused by the municipality in a newly built segregated camp in Via del Riposo. The rest risk being rendered homeless. The municipal authorities have so far failed to carry out a genuine consultation to identify adequate alternative housing.

I am urging the authorities to halt the eviction process until they have genuinely consulted all affected Roma to explore all feasible alternative housing options and can ensure nobody is rendered homeless following the eviction.

I am also asking the authorities to ensure that any rehousing plans do not result in the creation of new segregated camps and comply with the standards of adequate housing as outlined in international and regional human rights law and Italy's National Strategy for Roma Inclusion .

Your attention on this matter would be highly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,