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ENGLISH:

Serious Concerns Raised Over Residents' Rights at Disability Home

Doninu (Malta) International has formally raised concern with the Commissioner for the Rights of Persons with Disability (CRPD) over a policy implemented at a disability home, which allegedly **restricts residents from going out in group settings with trusted non-staff individuals** — even when **full written consent has been provided by legal guardians**.

The organisation claims this practice violates both **Maltese law** and the **UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD)**, and amounts to **discrimination, unjustified restriction of liberty, and denial of supported decision-making**.

"This is not just about outings – it is about dignity, autonomy, and legal rights. The law is clear: if a guardian consents, that decision must be respected unless a safeguarding risk exists. Denying this is unlawful and unethical."

The CRPD has been formally called upon to **reverse its position and stand publicly in defence of the residents**, not of the policy.

Doninu Malta further stated:

"If we are incorrect, we are ready to apologise in writing. But if we are right, then the time for silence is over — action is needed to restore these individuals' rights."

MALTESE:

Thassib Serju dwar Ksur tad-Drittijiet ta' Residenti f'Dar għal Persuni b'Diżabilità

Doninu (Malta) International ressqet thassib formali lill-Kummissarju għad-Drittijiet tal-Persuni b'Diżabilità (CRPD) dwar politika implimentata f'dar għal persuni b'diżabilità li allegatament **tillimita lir-residenti milli joħorgu f'gruppi ma' nies ta' fiduċja li mhumiex impjegati tal-istituzzjoni**, anke meta **hemm ftehim bil-miktub minn kustodji legali**.

Skont Doninu Malta, dan huwa **ksur tal-liġi Maltija kif ukoll tal-Konvenzjoni tan-NU dwar id-Drittijiet tal-Persuni b'Diżabilità (UNCPRD)**, u jammonta għal **diskriminazzjoni, restrizzjoni ingustifikata tal-libertà, u ċaħda tad-dritt għal deċiżjonijiet assistiti**.

"Mhux biss każ ta' ħarġiet – hija kwistjoni ta' għieħ, awtonomija u drittijiet legali. Il-liġi tgħid ċar: jekk il-kustodju legali japprova, irid jiġi rispett – sakemm ma jkunx hemm riskju dokumentat. Inċaħdu dan huwa ksur tal-liġi u tal-etika."

Il-CRPD gie formalment mitluba biex **terġa' tikkunsidra l-pożizzjoni tiegħha u tiegħu pożizzjoni pubblika favur ir-residenti**, mhux favur politika li tmur kontriom.

Doninu Malta temmet tgħid:

"Jekk qed ngħidu xi ħaġa mhux korretta, aħna lesti mhux biss nitolbu skuża – imma nagħmluha bil-miktub. Imma jekk għandna raġun, wasal iż-żmien li jittieħed azzjoni konkreta biex dawn in-nies jingħataw lura d-drittijiet tagħhom."

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