

Article 12: Prompt and impartial investigation of torture

12.1 As explained under Article 2, there have been no cases, or even allegations, of torture in the period under report. Any claim or suspicion of torture having occurred in Hong Kong would be subject to immediate investigation through the complaints mechanisms described in paragraphs 13.1 to 13.14 below in relation to Article 13⁶. Assertions of torture committed in other jurisdictions would be handled as explained above in relation to Articles 3, 8, and 9.

⁶ Paragraphs 85 to 101 of the initial report described matters relating to complaints mechanisms under the section on Article 12. These matters also fall within the scope of Article 13.