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1. Introduction

Indigenous Sámi claimants have submitted a line of complaints to United Nations human rights treaty bodies starting with the *Kitok* case,¹ submitted 40 years ago. For considerable time, cases were submitted only to the Human Rights Committee (HRC) monitoring states'

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¹*Avon Kitok v. Sweden*, 1977/1285 (1988).

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