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Recent executions in Japan and Belarus : Statement of Ján Kubiš, Chairman of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe

Strasbourg, 12.12.2007 – “As Chairman of the Committee of Ministers, I should like to express deep regret about the recent executions carried out in Japan and Belarus.

We strongly condemn the use of the death penalty and spare no effort to continue in fighting against it.

Coming at a time where the United Nations is about to call for a global moratorium on executions, these executions also go against a clear international trend to put an end to this punishment.”

Récentes exécutions au Japon et au Bélarus : Déclaration de Ján Kubiš, Président du Comité des Ministres du Conseil de l’Europe

Strasbourg, 12.12.2007 – « En ma qualité de Président du Comité des Ministres, je déplore profondément les exécutions qui viennent d'avoir lieu au Japon et au Bélarus.

Nous condamnons fermement l'utilisation de la peine de mort et nous ne ménagerons aucun effort dans la poursuite de notre lutte contre celle-ci.

Alors que l'ONU appelle à un moratoire mondial sur les exécutions, ces sentences vont en outre à l'encontre de la tendance qui se manifeste clairement au plan international pour mettre fin à ce châtiment. »

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