	EQUALITY BODY Under Article 13 of the EU Race Directive			HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL	COMMISSIONER	OMBUDSMAN
1.	Overall competence/Mandate	the promotion of equal treatment of persons without discrimination on the grounds of racial or ethnic origin		Partly	Partly	Not specifically mentioned in the law.
2.	Responsibilities		providing independent assistance to victims of discrimination in pursuing their complaints about discrimination	No	No	Yes. However, the competence is limited. The Ombudsman can only handle complaints of alleged discriminatory conduct by public authorities falling within his mandate.
			concluding independent surveys about discrimination	No	No	There is no specific provision in legislation. Ombudsman can conduct such surveys within his powers to conduct investigation of maladministration, either on motion or on his own initiative.
			publishing independent reports	No	No. While the Commissioner compiles reports, they lack independency.	Yes
			making recommendations on any issue relating to such discrimination	Yes, but only in relation to the Executive.	Yes, but only in relation to the Executive.	Yes, based on his activities.