

Constitution of the Italian Republic

Art. 26

Extradition of a citizen may be granted only if it is expressly envisaged by international conventions.

In any case, extradition may not be permitted for political offences.

Art. 27

Criminal responsibility is personal.

A defendant shall be considered not guilty until a final sentence has been passed.

Punishments may not be inhuman and shall aim at re-educating the convicted. Death penalty is prohibited (1).

Art. 28

Officials of the State or public agencies shall be directly responsible under criminal, civil, and administrative law for acts committed in violation of rights.

In such cases, civil liability shall extend to the State and to such public agency.

TITLE II ETHICAL AND SOCIAL RIGHTS AND DUTIES

Art. 29

The Republic recognises the rights of the family as a natural society founded on marriage.

Marriage is based on the moral and legal equality of the spouses within the limits laid down by law to guarantee the unity of the family.

Art. 30

It is the duty and right of parents to support, raise and educate their children, even if born out of wedlock.

In the case of incapacity of the parents, the law provides for the fulfilment of their duties.

The law ensures such legal and social protection measures as are compatible with the rights of the members of the legitimate family to any children born out of wedlock.

The law shall establish rules and constraints for the determination of paternity.