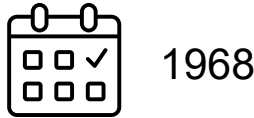


Article 200 in the Communist Penal Code

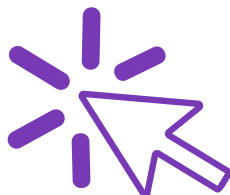


Article 200 criminalised same-sex relations and institutionalised surveillance, fear and stigma during the communist regime.

Under Nicolae Ceaușescu’s regime, the 1968 Penal Code introduced the infamous Article 200. Same-sex relations, even private and consensual, were punishable with up to 5 years in prison. The law legitimized systematic surveillance and harassment of LGBTQ individuals by the Securitate and police, turning intimacy itself into a state-controlled crime.

Significance: Article 200 became one of the most intrusive forms of state intervention in private life in communist Romania. It institutionalised fear, secrecy and harassment, creating long-lasting trauma in LGBTQ communities and normalising state surveillance as a tool for social control.

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