# **ADVANCE QUESTIONS TO SINGAPORE – Add.2**

#### **NETHERLANDS**

#### **ICC**

 Does Singapore intend to sign the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (ICC)?

# Death penalty

• The Netherlands recommends imposing a moratorium on executions, with a view to complete abolition of the death penalty. Could the government confirm that the mandatory death penalty will be phased out? Could the government provide statistics on past executions and death sentences handed down by the courts?

### Press freedom

- In paragraph 34 of the compilation prepared by the OHCHR, UNESCO is quoted as saying that the media is heavily regulated by the Government through direct and indirect political, legal and structural systems of control and that the country has heavily concentrated media, with two umbrella companies owning all the daily newspapers, television and radio channels. What is the response of the Singapore delegation to this?
- Rights of women

CEDAW has called upon Singapore to review the legal protection afforded to foreign women domestic workers under the Employment of Foreign Workers Act, and to ensure that such workers benefit from wider protection, either under the Employment Act or under separate legislation on foreign domestic workers, especially with regard to their contractual status. When and how does the Singapore government intend to give follow-up to these recommendations?

### **LGBT**

• Will Singapore maintain criminal sanctions against sexual activity between consenting adults of the same sex? Does it intend to repeal the relevant legal provisions (ref para 28 of the summary report prepared by the OHCHR in accordance with para 15C.)