

## **ADVANCE QUESTIONS TO ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA – ADD.2**

### **NETHERLANDS**

#### **Death penalty**

The Netherlands is concerned about the situation with regard to the death penalty in Antigua and Barbuda. Although the death penalty in Antigua and Barbuda has not recently been applied, it is still part of the law at the local level. The Netherlands would be grateful to know what measures the government of Antigua and Barbuda will take to actively encourage a moratorium on executions with a view to abolishing the death penalty, and to commute without delay all death sentences to terms of imprisonment. The Netherlands would encourage the government of Antigua and Barbuda to ratify the Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, aiming at abolition of the death penalty.

### **SLOVENIA**

- How does the Government guarantee the rights enshrined in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and in the other major international human rights instruments, which are considered as customary international law and therefore binding for all States, since in the country with dualist legal system the international human rights instruments cannot form the basis for legal proceedings in the nation's domestic courts?
- What strategy does the Government of Antigua and Barbuda intend to undertake in order to cope with problems of child labor and violence against children, trafficking and sale of children, child prostitution, sexual abuse of children and corporal punishment of children?
- What are the intentions of the Government of Antigua and Barbuda with a view to overcoming the problem of under-resourced education?