

ADVANCE QUESTIONS TO FRANCE

UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN & NORTHERN IRELAND

- Please could you provide further information on France's plans for 2013 to tackle gender equality, in particular with regards to access to justice for victims of sexual crimes, domestic violence, forced marriage and female genital mutilation.
- Could you tell us what plans France has to address prison conditions and overcrowding as highlighted by the Chief Inspector for Prison's report on Baumettes prison in Marseille?
- Please could you provide further information on France's efforts to increase integration of second and third-generation immigrant communities and disadvantaged groups into public service, the civil service, politics and judiciary, and to reduce discrimination in recruitment and employment?
- Please could you provide further details of what plans France has to offer 'alternative solutions' to re-located Roma groups and to prevent vigilante action against Roma populations?
- Could you tell us what plans France has to implement alternative sentencing and support services for detainees after they have left prison?

NORWAY

- Norway commends French efforts to avoid incarcerating juvenile delinquents, and to find alternative ways for minors to serve their sentence. However, according to the CNCDH the correctional tribunals for minors are based on the adult model, thus de facto opposed to the ordinance of 1945 relative to minor delinquents. How will France ensure that minors are, in fact, treated as minors?
- The French Republic's emphasis on the fundamental character of citizenship may lead to difficulties in establishing precise statistical data and thus hamper the search for adequate measures against discrimination and violence towards minorities. How does France propose to come around this problem and refine its statistical tools and methods, enabling more precise analysis?

SLOVENIA

- What has been the follow-up on the promise by President Hollande regarding the ratification of the European Charter for Regional or Minority Languages?

MEXICO

- Quelles sont les dernières réponses fournies au Comité des droits de l'homme concernant les statistiques sur l'égalité des chances, détention de migrants sans papiers, des demandeurs d'asile et de non refoulement ?

- Comment l'égalité d'accès des peuples autochtones à l'éducation, au travail, au logement et à la santé est garantie dans les territoires d'outre-mer ?
- Quelles mesures ont été prises pour combattre les pratiques discriminatoires qui empêchent l'accès en toute égalité à l'emploi des personnes appartenant à des minorités ?

NETHERLANDS

- The Netherlands is aware of efforts made to promote gender equality, but understands that women are still underrepresented in high-level and managerial positions, both in government as in the private sector. There are also reports about a significant gender-based pay discrepancy. Which measures are being taken by the government to redress these issues?
- The Netherlands is concerned about reports on overcrowding and poor conditions in prisons. Which measures are being taken by the French government to bring the situation in prisons in line with international standards?