

ADVANCE QUESTIONS TO THE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC

(FIRST BATCH)

SWEDEN

- What concrete steps will the Government of CAR take to improve the situation for victims and witnesses who face intimidation and insecurity and thereby are unable to testify or refrain from turning to the justice system altogether?
- What measures are the Government of CAR taking to ensure the respect and enforcement of the rule of law in prefectures other than Bangui?
- How does the Government of CAR aim to tackle impunity and ensure accountability for human rights violations, including within the armed forces and all parties of the peace process?

PORTUGAL on behalf of the Group of Friends on NMIRF's

- Could the State-under-review describe its national mechanism or process responsible for coordinating the implementation of accepted UPR recommendations and the monitoring of progress and impact?
- Has the State-under-review established a dedicated 'national mechanism for implementation, reporting and follow-up' (NMIRF) covering UPR recommendations, but also recommendations/observations generated by the UN human rights Treaty Bodies, the Special Procedures and relevant regional mechanisms? If so, could the State-under-review briefly share its experience on creating such mechanism, including challenges faced and lessons learnt, as well as any plans or needs to strengthen the NMIRF in the future?

LIECHTENSTEIN

- Liechtenstein recognizes CAR's commitment to international criminal justice, as evidenced by its ratification of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (ICC).
- **What steps has CAR taken to ratify the Kampala amendments to the Rome Statute on the crime of aggression?**

BELGIUM

- Quelles mesures est-ce que la RCA compte prendre pour faire face au problème des taux élevés de mortalité infantile et maternelle?

- Comment est-ce que les autorités comptent mieux inclure la population civile, en particulier les femmes et les jeunes, qui constituent plus de la moitié de la population centrafricaine, dans le dialogue et les négociations locales pour la paix?
- Quelles mesures est-ce que la RCA compte prendre pour assurer la gratuité de l'enseignement primaire, afin de remédier au faible taux de scolarisation, avec une attention particulière pour les filles?
- Est-ce que la RCA a l'intention d'abolir officiellement la peine de mort, ou de transformer le moratoire de facto en moratoire de jure, en modifiant le Code pénal dans ce sens? Est-ce que le gouvernement de la RCA peut considérer la ratification du Deuxième Protocole facultatif se rapportant au Pacte international relatif aux droits civils et politiques visant à abolir la peine de mort?
- Comment est-ce que la RCA compte poursuivre et renforcer ses efforts menés pour lutter contre l'impunité en garantissant que les auteurs des graves violations des droits de l'homme soient poursuivis en justice et condamnés et que les victimes soient indemnisées ?

SLOVENIA

- Slovenia would like to ask the distinguished delegation of Central African Republic what measures will the authorities take to curb violence against women and harmful traditional practices.
- Concerning the Slovenia's recommendation to Central African Republic in the second UPR cycle we would like to ask on the efforts of the authorities to identify, report and monitor sexual and gender-based violence.

UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND

- How does the Central African Republic plan to address the use of the death penalty, which remains a part of the Criminal Code and is prescribed for several crimes?
- Please provide information on measures the Central African Republic is taking to establish the rule of law and to ensure a functioning justice system.
- Could you outline specific actions the Central African Republic is taking to address sexual exploitation of children, and to prosecute perpetrators of crimes committed?
- Please provide information on specific measures the Central African Republic is taking to combat sexual violence against women.
- Could you outline specific measures the Central African Republic is taking to address barriers to accessing health care services?