

ADVANCE QUESTIONS TO ITALY (FIRST BATCH)

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, which, *inter alia*, clusters all the above, manages them in national databases, coordinates implementation actions across government, monitors progress and impact, and then streamline reporting procedures back to the UN? 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?

UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND

- How is the new Government of Italy ensuring the multiagency institutional roundtable created to tackle labour exploitation is aligned with its anti-trafficking plan?
- What steps is the new Government of Italy taking to continue the upward trajectory of media freedom and increase the pace of this improvement?
- How will the government ensure the successful integration of migrants following the October 2018 Security Law?
- How will the government tackle the discrimination faced by Roma and their difficulties in accessing basic services, including those living in irregular camps?
- What concrete measures does the new government plan to introduce to tackle increasing episodes of racism and intolerance towards migrants, vulnerable people and the LGBT community?

SWEDEN

- During the previous UPR cycle, Italy accepted the recommendation to implement the Istanbul Convention and to finalize the National Action Plan. Sweden would like to ask, in reference to the CEDAW concluding recommendation from 2017, what measures have been taken to implement a national action plan against sexual and gender-based violence and the Istanbul Convention?
- Although the Italian government has taken some measures, including a law from 2017 that extends the limitation period, Sweden wishes to raise the following questions

regarding the efficiency of the Italian judicial system. What additional measures are being taken to enhance the efficiency of the judicial system and to allow for deciding on cases within reasonable time?

- Progress in anti-corruption work has been made through several legislative actions, such as new rules regarding public procurements and strengthened money-laundering rules. However, Sweden would like to ask what measures the government of Italy is taking to further reduce corruption?

GERMANY

- We appreciate the recent efforts by the Government of Italy which aim to establish a fully independent national human rights institution. Could you please give an update on the process? When will the establishment of the national human rights institution be completed?
- We welcome the recent efforts by the Government of Italy to improve prison conditions, for example by providing better access to healthcare and by establishing the office of a National Guarantor for the rights of detainees. However, overcrowding of prisons still remains a problem. What concrete steps are taken by the government of Italy to guarantee the effective independence of the National Guarantor? What further measures are taken by the Government of Italy to improve detention conditions?
- We noticed with appreciation the progress the Government of Italy has made in implementing the National Strategy for the Inclusion of Roma. However, additional efforts are needed to further improve the living standards of Roma – in particular with regard to the right to adequate housing. How does the Government of Italy ensure the consistent implementation of the national Roma strategy? What measures are taken to hold local governments accountable for policies that violate the rights of Roma persons? And how does the Government of Italy protect Roma communities from hate speech and xenophobia?
- What steps does the Government of Italy take in order to avoid homelessness after evictions of camps of ethnic minorities?

URUGUAY

- Uruguay would appreciate to have an update on steps that have been taken or that are underway, regarding the establishment of a National Human Rights Institution -in accordance with the Paris Principles-. This recommendation made by Uruguay in the last cycle and accepted by Italy.