

ADVANCE QUESTIONS TO NORWAY-Add.1

CZECH REPUBLIC

- Does the Government of Norway intend to ratify the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment signed in 2003?
- How is ensured human rights education and sensitisation of police, judges, prosecutors and others in particular with regard to protection of human rights of women and national and ethnic minorities?
- Has the Government of Norway considered establishing a unified national guardian system for unaccompanied asylum-seeking and refugee children? How is ensured adequate training of guardians of unaccompanied asylums-seeking and refugee children?

DENMARK

- What will Norway do to ensure that all detainees and prisoners, including those that are mentally ill, are given access to appropriate health care, including where necessary by being transferred to specialized institutions for the provision of psychiatric health care?
- Denmark notes with satisfaction that Norway plans to complete ratification of the Optional Protocol to the UN Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (OPCAT) within the very near future. Could Norway be more specific as to when ratification is expected to be completed?
- What will Norway do to ensure that sexual violence against women is effectively prevented, investigated and punished in accordance with international obligations? Will Norway, for instance, adopt a legal definition of rape based on international human rights principles on sexual integrity and autonomy, including by linking the question of guilt in rape cases to the lack of genuine and freely-given consent, and to the exercise of sexual autonomy, rather than to the presence of violence?

ARGENTINA

- Pese a las medidas tomadas en materia de igualdad entre mujeres y hombres, los órganos de tratados plantean con preocupación la persistencia de actitudes culturales estereotipadas que se manifiestan particularmente en el mercado de trabajo, en las posibilidades de acceso a la educación superior y en la subrepresentación de las mujeres en la política. En este sentido, a la Argentina le interesa preguntar si Noruega prevé tomar medidas a efectos de transformar la igualdad formal (ante la ley) en igualdad material o sustantiva en el sentido de mitigar la desigualdad estructural que de hecho persiste entre hombres y mujeres.
- El Gobierno argentino está interesado en preguntar qué medidas o acciones prevé implementar el Gobierno de Noruega en aras de eliminar la discriminación contra los no ciudadanos, específicamente en relación a las condiciones de trabajo.

- Atento manifestaciones de diversos organismos en relación con el tráfico de personas, especialmente mujeres y niños, el Gobierno argentino desea preguntar acerca de las medidas que se están implementando o prevén implementar en función de la protección y reinserción de las víctimas.

SWITZERLAND

- What efforts have been made to prevent discrimination against immigrants and national minorities?
- What steps have been made to continue the strengthening of the capacity to investigate and to prosecute cases of core international crimes?
- What is the situation of persons without legal status, specially the rejected asylum-seekers who cannot be sent home to their countries of origin? Are the basic human rights of such persons secured?
- We would be grateful for further information on the length of pre-trial detention and of its judicial supervision.
- What is the degree of respect for the private sphere of individuals with regard to counter-terrorism and police methods?
