**ADVANCE QUESTIONS TO THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA (FIRST BATCH)**

**GERMANY**

* Which steps has the Republic of Korea undertaken to safeguard against restrictions of the freedom of expression, opinion and association based on its National Security Law?
* How many persons have been convicted for consensual same-sex relations, based on Article 92-6 of its Military Criminal Act in the last year, and how many convictions were there in total?
* Have there been concrete steps to develop a comprehensive anti-discrimination law, which includes a ban of discrimination based on sexual orientation?

**PORTUGAL on behalf of the Group of Friends on NMIRFs**

* 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?
* Could the State-under-review elaborate specifically on how is the collaboration of its national mechanism with other stakeholders, such as National Human Rights Institutions, CSO, the judiciary and parliamentarians?
* 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?

**PANAMA**

* The Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women recommended that Republic of Korea strengthen efforts to combat gender-based violence against women, amend article 297 of the Criminal Code so as to place the lack of free consent of the victim at the centre of the definition and criminalize marital rape. We would be grateful if Republic of Korea could provide an update on the progress made in the implementation of this recommendation.
* What initiatives are put in place to expand the availability and accessibility of mental health services for all?
* What legislative and policy measures are being implemented to prevent, combat and monitor all forms of violence and abuse against children, including online violence?

**SLOVENIA**

* What measures are in place to combat ageism and eliminate age discrimination in all its forms, and to protect the human rights of older persons?

**LIECHTENSTEIN**

* What steps has the Republic of Korea taken to ratify the Kampala Amendment to the Rome Statute on the crime of aggression?
* What steps has the Republic of Korea taken towards the full and legal abolition of the death penalty?
* What steps has the Republic of Korea taken to ratify the Optional Protocol to the UN Convention against Torture?