**ADVANCE QUESTIONS TO KUWAIT (SECOND BATCH)**

**GERMANY**

* During the last cycle of the UPR, the Government of the State of Kuwait announced to revoke the Khafala sponsorship system and replace it with new regulations in accordance with international standards. What steps has the government of the State of Kuwait undertaken to implement this policy?
* What concrete measures is the Government of the State of Kuwait planning to protect female domestic workers effectively against abuse? What concrete measures has the Government of the State of Kuwait taken against the confiscation of domestic workers´ passports by the sponsors?
* What steps has the Government of the State of Kuwait taken to ensure the guarantee of freedom of expression which is an integral part of the Constitution of Kuwait, in particular with regard to social media usage, journalists and human rights defenders?
* Could the Government of the State of Kuwait inform us on the draft law on the Bidoons, its content and framework?
* How does the government plan to review the Nationality Act with regard to gender discrimination, specifically Kuwaiti women’s rights to transfer nationality to their children and to ensure equality between men and women with regard to the acquisition, change and retention of nationality?

**SLOVENIA**

* We would be interested to learn if there have been any measures taken to restrict and prohibit corporal punishment of children in all settings.
* What are the specific steps taken in preventing domestic violence, investigating incidents and providing assistance for victims?