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

**PANAMÁ**

* Following our recommendation during the second cycle, we would be grateful if Palau could provide additional information on its efforts to ratify the international human rights treaties, particularly the ICCPR and the ICESCR? Does Palau plan to seek the support of the OHCHR regional office for the Pacific, particularly through its capacity-building programme on the treaty bodies, to address any challenges in order to proceed with the ratification of international human rights treaties?
* In the second cycle, Panama also recommended that Palau incorporate the provisions of the Convention on the Rights on the Child in the national legal order. We would appreciate information on the progress made in the implementation of this recommendation.
* What measures are in place to increase the participation of women in in public and political life, particularly at decision-making levels?
* What actions are being taken to mitigate the negative impacts of climate change on the environment and human rights?

**UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND**

* What progress has the Government of Palau made to protect the human rights of migrant workers since its last review?
* What steps will the Government of Palau take to prevent and respond to all forms of violence against women and girls, including domestic violence, and ensure support to victims so that they feel safe in reporting crimes?
* What is the Government of Palau doing to ensure that emergency and longer-term support services are available for all suspected victims of modern slavery?
* What steps are being taken to improve conditions at Koror jail including addressing issues of overcrowding?
* What is Palau’s assessment of progress against the 2014 Open Government Act including its disclosure of requested information, particularly at subnational level?

**PORTUGAL ON BEHALF OF THE GROUP OF FRIENDS ON NATIONAL MECHANISMS FOR IMPLEMENTATION, REPORTING AND FOLLOW-UP (NMIRF)**

* 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?

**CANADA**

* What steps is the Government of Palau taking to encourage women’s political participation and increase women’s representation in national and state legislatures?
* What concrete measures will the Government of Palau take to strengthen the capacity of public institutions to investigate, secure convictions and impose stringent penalties for trafficking in persons?
* What progress has the Government of Palau made in establishing a national human rights institution compliant with the Paris Principles?