ADVANCE QUESTIONS TO MALDIVES

UNITED KINGDOM

- We would be grateful if you would provide information on the extent to which civil society was consulted in the preparation of your national report.
- Could you provide details on what measures are being taken to strengthen the Human Rights Commission of the Maldives and whether it operates in accordance with the Paris principles designed to guide the practice of such institutions?
- Could you inform us what measures the Government is taking to enhance understanding of the importance of human rights protection throughout Maldives, including amongst parliamentarians, the media and civil society?
- We would be grateful to know, what action is being taken to enhance freedom of religion, in particular allowing foreigners the right to practice their religion freely?
- We would be grateful if you could tell us what measures are being taken to protect children from becoming the victims of gang violence and to prevent children from joining gangs?
- Can you please tell us your position on promoting lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender rights, and what steps you take to promote further inclusion and to tackle incidences of intolerance and violence against LGBT people?
- Could you please explain what measures are being taken to protect the rights
 of migrant workers, how will they be able to seek redress where their rights
 are violated and what action will be taken against those who systematically
 abuse them?
- Could you please tell us what measures the Government is taking to improve prison conditions and to improve the rehabilitation of offenders?
