ADVANCE QUESTIONS TO SAINT KITTS AND NEVIS

GERMANY

- In 2010, the ILO Committee of Experts pointed out that section 4 of the Probation and Child Welfare Board Act of 1994 did not prohibit the use, procuring or offering of a child for prostitution, for the production of pornography or for pornographic performances and requested the Government to indicate the measures taken or envisaged to secure such a prohibition. In 2002, CEDAW encouraged St. Kitts and Nevis, inter alia, to formulate a broad strategy against trafficking and prostitution. Germany would appreciate information on how the government of Saint Kitts and Nevis follow up on this request to take measures to secure the prohibition of child prostitution and pornography.

LATVIA

- According to the information by the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, 73 countries from different regions of the world have issued standing invitations to all special procedures of the Human Rights Council. While no requests have been made by special procedures mandate holders to visit Saint Kitts and Nevis – would your country consider extending a standing invitation to all special procedures of the Human Rights Council in the future?

SWEDEN

- Could the Government of Saint Kitts and Nevis elaborate on the status of the death penalty, including with regard to any plans to abolish the penalty de jure?

- Does the Government intend to ratify the International Convention on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR) and its Second Optional Protocol aiming at the abolition of the death penalty?

- Could the Government of Saint Kitts and Nevis elaborate on the status of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender persons’ rights?

- What is the Government’s assessment of the situation for these people when it comes to discrimination in different areas?

- What are the next steps Saint Kitts and Nevis will take to revise discriminatory laws, including the law that states that homosexuality is a criminal offense?

- Could the Government of Saint Kitts and Nevis elaborate on the status of women’s rights and discrimination against women?

- What measures are taken in law and practice to combat gender based-discrimination and violence towards women?
What is being done to ensure that the provisions in the Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women are effectively implemented?