

ADVANCE QUESTIONS TO PARAGUAY ADD.1

SWITZERLAND

- **Detention**

Will the Government of Paraguay look into the improvements of its detention facilities and ensure that the conditions meet international standards? How do you tackle the issue of overcrowded prisons?

- **Torture**

Does the Government of Paraguay plan to investigate all allegations of torture in the future and bring the perpetrators to justice? Which measures are foreseen to prevent abuses by security forces?

- **Corruption**

What are the planned measures to fight corruption, and to promote good governance and the rule of law?

UNITED KINGDOM

- The Paraguayan Government has stated it intends to further strengthen the internal structure of the Executive Branch Human Rights Network. Please can you tell us how this will be achieved and what resources will be committed?
- Could you please tell us what steps the Government is taking to raise understanding and awareness of human rights standards in the National Police Force, civil service and local government?
- Please can you tell us what progress the Ministry of Justice and Labour has made recently to improve the infrastructure of prisons and the treatment of detainees?
- Please could you provide information on the steps the Government is taking to meet its obligations under the Optional Protocol to the UN Convention Against Torture?
- What plans does the Government of Paraguay have to establish and implement a law to combat human trafficking?
- Could you please explain what further measures are planned by the Government to safeguard land rights for indigenous people?
- How does the Paraguayan Government intend to comply with the judgements of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights (with regards to the Yakye Axa and Sawhoyamaya communities) and the international standards on the rights of indigenous people?

- Can you please outline how you intend to measure the problem of violence against women in Paraguay and comply with the recommendations of the United Nation's treaty bodies that the Government should review and amend the Criminal Code and related laws with regard to violence against women?