

ADVANCE QUESTIONS TO BURUNDI- ADD.1

DENMARK

- What will the Government of Burundi do to stop the growing obstacles to the free exercise of civil and political rights?
- What plans does the Government of Burundi have to end impunity from rape and sexual violence; arbitrary arrests; torture, ill treatment and other rights of detainees?
- Do you intend to abolish capital punishment – perhaps initially by adopting a moratorium on executions – in accordance with the general trend in this direction?

GERMANY

- Germany commends the GoB for openly addressing in its report the difficult situation of children. What legal and practical measures does the GoB envisage to ameliorate their protection against violence in families, schools and alternative care settings?

LATVIA

- According to the information by the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, 63 countries from different regions of the world have issued standing invitations to all special procedures of the Human Rights Council. Considering the previous positive cooperation of Burundi with numerous special procedures mandate holders - would your country consider extending a standing invitation to all special procedures of the Human Rights Council in the future?

NETHERLANDS

- Could the Burundese Government give some information on the training programmes that focus on human rights within Burundi for judicial personnel (judges, lawyers, police officers).
- The situation on violence against women in Burundi is alarming. Could the Burundese government give information on policies in the years to come to battle violence against women in Burundi?
- Why has the prohibition on torture until now not been integrated in the penal code?

- The national report fails to note that the right to a fair process is also hampered by political interference. What steps are undertaken by the Burundese Government to prevent political interference in judicial cases?
