ADVANCE QUESTIONS TO LUXEMBOURG

CZECH REPUBLIC

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• We would welcome further information about the Luxembourg Government’s work to tackle:
  - Strengthening measures aimed at changing attitudes concerning women's traditional roles and responsibilities in child and family care.
  - Reducing the number of racist and xenophobic incidents, in particular against Arabs and Muslims.
  - Combating prejudice and xenophobic stereotypes and attitudes, particularly in the media.
  - Ensuring that foreign detainees are not subjected to arbitrary behaviour and racist or xenophobic insults by law enforcement.
  - Reducing the disparities in the enjoyment of rights experienced by children belonging to vulnerable groups, such as children with disabilities and refugee and asylum-seeking children.

• Could you tell us what other steps the Luxembourg Government has taken to deal with violence against women, including whether they have:
  - put in place a comprehensive strategy and action plan to prevent and eliminate all forms of violence against women, including in the immigrant community;
  - provided support services for women victims of violence; established an effective mechanism to co-ordinate, monitor and assess the measures taken;
  - improved conditions of work for women and girls arriving in Luxembourg to work in the entertainment sector, so that they are not exposed to prostitution and trafficking in human beings.

• Could you tell us more about what steps the Luxembourg Government has taken to respond to the recommendations of the CRC from September 2007, in particular in relation to:
  - strengthening the programme aimed at diversifying academic and vocational choices for girls and boys;
  - improving and/or expanding educational facilities to include children with learning disabilities and/or behavioural problems;
  - ensuring that foreign children are not disadvantaged by the educational system.
• With regard to the right to work and just and favourable conditions of work, we would be grateful if the Luxembourg Government could tell us if it has responded to the CESCR concern regarding the level of wage difference and equal treatment between men and women, in particular, the long-standing pay gap between men and women.

• Could you please elaborate further on the role civil society played in the preparation of your national report for this process?

• Could you please give details of the work of the Consultative Commission of Human Rights within Luxembourg including whether it complies with the Paris Principles?

SWEDEN

• The situation of prisoners in Luxembourg is reportedly troublesome with regard to overcrowding. We welcome the plans to construct a second prison in the country and would like to know when the work will be completed? Could you also please elaborate on the measures taken to assure that the care of children and youngsters deprived of their liberty are in compliance with international human rights standards?