

ADVANCE QUESTIONS TO SOLOMON ISLANDS – Add.1

CZECH REPUBLIC

- What steps has the Government taken to establish a national human rights institution accredited by the International Coordinating Committee of National Institutions for the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights?
- Does the Government consider raising the minimum age of criminal responsibility (8 years), the age of marriage (15 years) and the minimum age for employment (12 years)?
- UNICEF noted that throughout Solomon Islands women were generally regarded as having a lower status than men and had little say in family decision-making and that despite the importance of women's economic contribution, there was still a tendency for families to prioritize sending boys to school before girls. How does the Government address the issue?
- It has been reported that domestic violence was widespread in Solomon Islands, with both women and children at risk of physical, emotional and sexual abuse. Violence and abuse of children are associated with poverty to some extent, but are endemic practices that exist simply because they are not prevented. How does the Government address the issue?
- CRC was concerned that society at large was not aware of the importance of birth registration and that registration was not integrally linked to the health system; as a result many children, particularly those born in remote islands were not registered at birth. What measures are in place ensuring that all children are registered at birth?

MALDIVES

- The UN Compilation report notes that none of the 50 seats in parliament are occupied by the woman. What steps is the country taking to address this?
- What are the impacts of climate change on the effective enjoyment of human rights in the country?
- What steps is the Government taking to respond to the problem of domestic violence

SLOVENIA

- How will the Government protect the rights of the child in regard to corporal punishment, sexual exploitation and child labour?
- Does the Government intend to take any steps to end discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and the criminalisation of sexual relations between consenting adults of the same sex under existing legislation?

- How will the Government address the under-representation of women in politics?