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Advance written questions to States under Review (SuR)
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SuR	ISSUES	QUESTIONS
Gabon	Cooperation with Special Procedures	According to the information of the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights 59 countries from different regions of the world have issued standing invitations to all special procedures of the Human Rights Council. Despite visit requested and not yet agreed upon Special Rapporteur on the right to education (2007) – would your country consider extending a standing invitation to all special procedures of the Human Rights Council in the future?
Ghana		NONE
Peru		NONE
Guatemala		NONE
Benin	Cooperation with Special Procedures	According to the information of the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights 59 countries from different regions of the world have issued standing invitations to all special procedures of the Human Rights Council. Considering the cooperation of Benin with the special procedures (visits of Independent Expert on the question of human rights and extreme poverty in 2007) – would your country consider extending a standing invitation to all special procedures of the Human Rights Council in the future?
South Korea	Cooperation with Special Procedures	According to the information of the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights 59 countries from different regions of the world have issued standing invitations to all special procedures of the Human Rights Council. Considering the cooperation of the Republic of Korea with the special procedures (visits of Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to freedom of opinion and expression in 1995, Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea in 2005, 2006 and 2008, Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants in 2006) – would your country consider extending a standing invitation to all special procedures of the Human Rights Council in the future?
Switzerland		NONE
Pakistan	Cooperation with Special Procedures	According to the information of the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights 59 countries from different regions of the world have issued standing invitations to all special procedures of the Human Rights Council. Despite the noted Pakistan's lack of cooperation with UN special procedures (seven Special procedures have requested to visit Pakistan following repeated allegations of human right violations) – we would encourage your country to consider acceptance of all seven special procedures of the Human Rights Council requested as well as extending a standing invitation to all special procedures in the future?
Zambia	Cooperation with Special Procedures	According to the information of the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights 59 countries from different regions of the world have issued standing invitations to all special procedures of the Human Rights Council. Despite visits requested but not yet agreed (the Special Representative of the

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Japan	Cooperation with Special Procedures	According to the information of the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights 59 countries from different regions of the world have issued standing invitations to all special procedures of the Human Rights Council. Considering the cooperation of Japan with the special procedures (visits of Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance in 2005, Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea in 2005 and 2006) – would your country consider extending a standing invitation to all special procedures of the Human Rights Council in the future?
Ukraine		NONE
Sri Lanka	Cooperation with Special Procedures	According to the information of the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights 59 countries from different regions of the world have issued standing invitations to all special procedures of the Human Rights Council. Considering the cooperation of Sri Lanka with the special procedures (visits of Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions in 1997, Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances in 1999, Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief in 2005, Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions in 2005, Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment in 2007, Representative of the Secretary-General on the human rights of internally displaced persons in 2007) – would your country consider extending a standing invitation to all special procedures of the Human Rights Council in the future?
France		NONE
Tonga	Cooperation with Special Procedures	According to the information of the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights 59 countries from different regions of the world have issued standing invitations to all special procedures of the Human Rights Council. While Tonga does not have history of cooperation with the special procedures of the Human Rights Council – would your country consider extending a standing invitation to all special procedures in the future?
Romania		NONE
Mali	Cooperation with Special Procedures	According to the information of the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights 59 countries from different regions of the world have issued standing invitations to all special procedures of the Human Rights Council. Considering the forthcoming visit to Mali of the Special Representative of the