<u>ADVANCE QUESTIONS TO MALDIVES – ADD.1</u>

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

• During its last Universal Periodic Review, Maldives received recommendations from several countries, including the United States, regarding the lack of religious freedom. We are concerned that Maldivian law still requires individuals to be Muslim as a prerequisite for citizenship. What steps does the government plan to take to allow individuals to exercise freedom of religion or belief?