ADVANCE QUESTIONS TO FIJI (FIRST BATCH)

PORTUGAL on behalf of the Group of Friends on NMIRF's

- Could the State-under-review describe its national mechanism or process responsible for coordinating the implementation of accepted UPR recommendations and the monitoring of progress and impact?
- Has the State-under-review established a dedicated 'national mechanism for implementation, reporting and follow-up' (NMIRF) covering UPR recommendations, but also recommendations/observations generated by the UN human rights Treaty Bodies, the Special Procedures and relevant regional mechanisms, which, *inter alia*, clusters all the above, manages them in national databases, coordinates implementation actions across government, monitors progress and impact, and then streamline reporting procedures back to the UN? If so, could the State-under-review briefly share its experience on creating such mechanism, including challenges faced and lessons learnt, as well as any plans or needs to strengthen the NMIRF in the future?

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- What steps does the Government of Fiji plan to take to promote greater freedom of expression for journalists and less self-censorship in Fiji?
- What action is the Government of Fiji taking to tackle domestic violence and to ensure that the national legislative framework is compliant with the Convention on the Elimination of all forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW)?
- How is the Government of Fiji working to foster a open and pluralistic civic space that guarantees freedom of expression and opinion as well as freedom of peaceful assembly and association for civil society groups and human rights defenders?
- What action is the Government of Fiji taking to review laws that unduly restrict fundamental freedoms for workers and their unions, including rights of freedom of expression, peaceful assembly, and association?
- What steps is the Government of Fiji taking to tackle forced labour, modern slavery, and human trafficking as set out in Sustainable Development Goal 8.7?