

ADVANCE QUESTIONS TO NAURU (SECOND BATCH)

UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND

- What progress has the Government of Nauru made in tackling domestic violence and discrimination against women, including through the criminalisation of forced marriage and the provision of ongoing support to victims of forced marriage?
- What progress has the Government of Nauru made in establishing a national human rights institution?
- What steps are required for Nauru to implement the 2014 Protocol to the Forced Labour Convention and translate it into national legislation?
- What progress has the Government of Nauru made to ensure judicial officers are appointed through an independent, merit based process, and in line with UN Basic Principles on the Independence of the Judiciary?

GERMANY

- Germany would like to inquire whether Nauru has already established a timeline for the ratification of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights.
- Germany is concerned about the government of Nauru forcing Médecins sans Frontières (MSF) to abandon its operations in Nauru, where it had been providing critical mental health support. Why has the government of Nauru taken this decision and when does the government plan to allow MSF to continue this important work?
- How does the government of Nauru evaluate the “Nauru Court of Appeal Act” of 2018 regarding provisions to ensure the independence of justice?

PANAMA

- In the second cycle, Panama recommended that Nauru studies the possibility of ratifying the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination. We would appreciate updated information on the progress made in the implementation of this recommendation.
- Does Nauru intend to respond positively to the request of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights defenders?
- What measures are being taken to protect human rights from the adverse effects of the climate crisis and to ensure that climate-related policies addressed the specific needs of individuals belonging to vulnerable and marginalized groups?

- Has Nauru considered to facilitate United Nations visits, in particular the UNHCR, to monitor the situation of transferred asylum seekers and refugees in the country?
- We note that in the second cycle Nauru supported a number of recommendations on the ratification of the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the involvement of children in armed conflict and the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography. What are the next steps for completion of the ratification process? Also, we would be grateful to know what measures has Nauru taken to accelerate the ratification of the Arms Trade Treaty?