

ADVANCE QUESTIONS TO KUWAIT – ADD.3

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- Is the Government of Kuwait considering accepting the individual complaints procedure under the human rights conventions to which it is already a State party?
- The CRC, the CESCR, the CEDAW, the CAT and the Human Rights Committee all requested that Kuwait withdraw its reservations and/or declarations to their respective instruments. Has the Government of Kuwait been undertaking steps to implement these recommendations?
- Is the Government of Kuwait considering issuing a standing invitation to the special procedures?
- The CEDAW has expressed concern about the lack of specific definitions of discrimination against women in national law as well as about the persistence of de jure and de facto discrimination against women. Which measures have been taken to address these concerns?
- Which concrete steps are the Kuwaiti authorities taking to tackle the issue of the non-existence of data about the prevalence and forms of violence against women and girls, and the non-availability of programmes and services to victims of violence?
- Has the Government of Kuwait considered inviting the Special Rapporteur on violence against women and girls?
- Has the Government of Kuwait undertaken steps to raise the minimum age of marriage for women and men to 18 years?
- How do the Kuwaiti authorities intend to address the concern of the CAT that there is no defined crime of torture in Kuwait?
