

ADVANCE QUESTIONS TO UKRAINE – ADD.2

UNITED KINGDOM

- We welcome the Government of Ukraine's decision to withdraw draft legislation that would re-criminalise defamation. We would be grateful to know what action Ukraine has taken over the last twelve months to ensure media freedom, including to guarantee the independence and pluralism of broadcasters, and to prevent the politicisation of news coverage?
- We would appreciate an update on the progress Ukraine has made towards establishing an independent agency to investigate all allegations of human rights violations by law enforcement officers, as recommended by the former Commissioner for Human Rights of the Council of Europe?
- We would be grateful to know what action has been taken towards establishing institutional mechanisms to counter racial discrimination, including through legislation?
- Could Ukraine elaborate further on steps taken to ensure that all minority groupings, including Crimean Tatars, enjoy equal opportunities, including access to land and employment as well as to justice, social services, education and the media?