

ADVANCE QUESTIONS TO THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO

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LIECHTENSTEIN

- Liechtenstein acknowledges the Democratic Republic of the Congo's commitment to international criminal justice, the most practical expression of which has been its self-referral to the International Criminal Court and subsequent, continued cooperation with the Court. Liechtenstein is also aware that, as part of the first cycle of the Universal Periodic Review, the Democratic Republic of the Congo accepted recommendations to align its domestic legislation with the Rome Statute, and has submitted relevant legislation to its National Assembly.
- When does the Democratic Republic of the Congo foresee completing the process of fully aligning its national legislation with the obligations under the Rome Statute, the definition of crimes and principles, including the crime of aggression?
- What steps has the Democratic Republic of the Congo taken to ratify the Kampala amendments to the Rome Statute?
- What steps has the Democratic Republic of the Congo taken to prevent gender-based violence, in particular sexual violence, by State and non-State actors in conflict-affected areas, to ensure the protection of civilians, including women, in cooperation with MONUSCO?
- What steps has the Democratic Republic of the Congo taken to ensure access to justice for all women affected by sexual violence?

PORTUGAL

- Portugal welcomes the joint plan of action signed between the Government and a United Nations special team on 2012 to fight the recruitment and use of children in armed conflict and would like to have further information on its impact.

SPAIN

- When does the Democratic Republic of Congo plan to create the reparation fund for victims of sexual violence announced in 2009?
- Have concrete measures been adopted to end arbitrary detentions, as well as to improve the conditions for prisoners?