**ADVANCE QUESTIONS TO THE BAHAMAS (THIRD BATCH)**

**UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND**

* What steps have been taken to amend The Bahamas Nationality Act 1973 to give gender equal rights to confer citizenship on children and spouses, regardless of marital status?
* What legislative, policy or other actions have been taken by the Government of The Bahamas and the Department of Corrections to bring the prison and the detention centre in line with international human rights standards on non-discrimination, accommodation (e.g. in addressing overcrowding), and gender segregated facilities?
* What efforts are the Government of The Bahamas making to establish an independent and well resourced National Human Rights Institution in keeping with the Paris Principles? (e.g. follow-up steps to the Ombudsman Bill, 2017)
* What steps are the Governnment of The Bahamas taking to ratify the Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights aiming at the abolition of the death penalty?
* What steps are the Government of The Bahamas taking to amend the Sexual Offences Act and the definition of rape in Section 3 to include the criminalisation of marital rape?