

**ADVANCE QUESTIONS TO THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN  
AND NORTHERN IRELAND**

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- Could the United Kingdom elaborate on its experience concerning human rights institutions established at the national and sub-national level and the existing relationship among them?
- With reference to children's rights, the Committee on the Rights of the Child welcomed the setting up of an independent Children's Commissioner in Wales and the plans for the establishment of an independent human rights institution for children in Northern Ireland and in Scotland. Could the United Kingdom illustrate other relevant initiatives undertaken in recent years to address the issues of violence against children, including corporal punishment?