ADVANCE QUESTIONS TO ZIMBABWE – ADD.3

NORWAY

- What steps are the government of Zimbabwe taking to ensure that revenues from natural resources are used to improve the humanitarian situation and ensure the gradual fulfilment of economic, social and cultural rights?
- What steps are Zimbabwe taking to ratify key international instruments, including the convention against torture?
- Will Zimbabwe consider issuing standing invitations to UN Special Procedures mandate holders?
- What does Zimbabwe do to tackle the health problems of orphans and children, and in particular, children living with HIV/Aids?
- What is being done to protect orphans caught up in the internal struggle for property in the Anglican church?
- Certain laws, like the Public Order and Security Act (POSA), Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act (AIPPA) and Broadcasting Services Act infringe on the freedom of expression. What efforts are being done to amend or repeal laws that undermine human rights?
- The Global Political Agreement from 2008 constituted several commissions; Human Rights Commission, Zimbabwe Electoral Commission and Zimbabwe Media Commission. What steps are the Government of Zimbabwe taking to assure that these commissions are well functioning, independent, non partisan and unbiased in order to protect civil, political, economic, social, and cultural rights of individuals?

SWEDEN

- What measures is the government of Zimbabwe taking to curb politically motivated violence, including pre- and post-election violence? What measures are being taken to deal with perpetrators of politically motivated violence?
- What steps are the Zimbabwean government taking to promote media freedom in Zimbabwe, especially in terms of issuing out broadcasting licences for private broadcasters and community radios?
- What is the view of the Government of Zimbabwe of the reports of human rights violations in connection to mining operations in Zimbabwe?
- What measures is the Government of Zimbabwe taking in order to strengthen the rights of women in Zimbabwe and to curb sexual violence directed against women?