

ADVANCE QUESTIONS TO CROATIA

UNITED KINGDOM

- We should be grateful if you would provide information on the extent to which civil society was consulted in the preparation of your national report.
- Please could you inform us as to whether an independent national human rights institution exists in your country and operates in accordance with the Paris principles designed to guide the practice of such institutions?
- Could you please provide an update on Croatia's efforts to improve the efficiency of the judicial system and access to legal aid?
- We would be grateful to know, what steps is Croatia taking to investigate the whereabouts of the missing documents requested by the Chief Prosecutor of the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia for the trial of General Gotovina?
- Could you tell us how Croatia intends to address perceptions of ethnic bias in domestic war crimes trials?
- Could you please explain how Croatia will ensure effective implementation of legislation designed to protect minority and vulnerable groups, for example, the Constitutional Act on the Rights of National Minorities, the Anti-Discrimination Law and the Law on Hate Crimes? What further steps, if any, will Croatia take in this area to protect these groups?
