

ADVANCE QUESTIONS TO SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE

GERMANY

- In the initial UPR of São Tomé and Príncipe, the Government accepted recommendations to prohibit corporal punishment. What measures has the Government taken since to end corporal punishment, including measures to promote positive, non-violent forms of discipline, as recommended by the Committee on the Rights of the Child?
- What are the Government's plans as to improving its participation in international human rights mechanisms, including the question of completion of the ratification processes of core human rights conventions such as the ICCPR, ICESCR, ICERD, CEDAW and CAT? What support does the Government need?
- We have noted with interest the Prime Minister's political vision for public development. In this context, we would like to know whether there are any plans to employ a more systematic approach towards further improving the country's human rights record, e.g. by establishing a human rights action plan in São Tomé and Príncipe?