

35th Universal Periodic Review: UK statement on Sweden



The Universal Periodic Review takes place in Geneva.

The United Kingdom welcomes Sweden's long-standing commitment to promoting and protecting human rights. We commend Sweden's extensive contribution to human rights domestically and internationally, commitment to advancing women's and girls' rights, and efforts to ensure media freedom.

We encourage Sweden to maintain efforts to combat discrimination and hate crimes against minority groups, and welcome its adoption of a national plan to combat racism and hate crime.

We recommend that Sweden:

1. Advise authorities to take further measures to ensure human trafficking offenders are investigated and prosecuted effectively, including through provision of sufficient funding to units investigating trafficking.
2. Adopt an open, merit-based process when selecting national candidates for UN Treaty Body elections.
3. Adopt legislation limiting the time an individual can be placed in pre-trial detention.

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