

ADVANCE QUESTIONS TO URUGUAY-ADD 2

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- With interest Switzerland has taken notice of the latest publication of the UNDP about the socioeconomic situation of the Afrodescendant population in Uruguay. We would appreciate if the Government of Uruguay could elaborate on the measures it is taking in order to address the situation and how it plans to ensure the implementation of the Affirmative Action Law (Ley N° 19.122).
- Switzerland welcomes the measures adopted to expand the capacity of the prisons in order to improve the conditions of the detainees. As one particular challenge is the high number of detainees per capita in spite of a moderate crime rate, we would be interested to learn if the Government of Uruguay is considering alternative measures that would allow a reduction of the number of detainees, in particular of persons that have not yet been judged.