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Mr President,

The capital punishment can be adjudged for murder in Grenada, but the country is regarded as being among those states having a *de facto* moratorium in place, since no executions have been carried out since 1978.

Sweden recommends the Government of Grenada to abolish the capital punishment.

According to reports from credible NGOs, the level of intolerance against LGBT persons is rather high in Grenada. Sexual relations between men can be punished with up to ten years of imprisonment. Sexual relations between women is not forbidden by law, but in practice it is quite difficult to openly live in a same-sex relationship for women. The police has gone through a basic training on LGBT and discrimination issues and the Government has launched a dialogue on ensuring the human rights of LGBT persons.

To conclude, Sweden recommends Grenada to remove laws criminalizing same sex relation.

Thank you, Mr. President