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Recommendations by Canada for Spain's UPR

Question

Canada continues to be concerned about the issue of human trafficking in women and girls for purposes of sexual exploitation. Could the delegation of Spain inform us regarding progress made and any further steps undertaken to address the issue of human trafficking, particularly with regard to prevention, victim care and protection, the coordination of domestic agencies, and international cooperation, following the introduction of its Integrated Plan against Trafficking for Purposes of Sexual Exploitation (2009-2012)?

Recommendations

Canada recommends that Spain:

- 1) Ensure that the Spanish legal framework concerning migrants, refugees and asylum-seekers, with particular attention to the autonomous cities of Ceuta and Melilla, complies with its international human rights obligations, including with regard to procedural safeguards.
- 2) Ensure prompt investigation of allegations of mistreatment by security forces of migrants at the borders to ensure that they are treated in accordance with international human rights obligations.
- 3) Ensure that all migrants in detention have access to basic services and adequate living conditions.

Observations

Canada welcomes the 2013-2016 Spanish National Strategy for the Eradication of Violence against Women. Canada encourages Spain to further strengthen measures included in the Strategy and specifically address the issue of women and girl victims of other forms of discrimination, particularly among migrant and disabled communities.