## UPR 25, May 2, 2016 Recommendations by Canada for Suriname's UPR

## Recommendations

Canada recommends that Suriname:

- Take steps to implement its Roadmap to Combat Human Trafficking in order to
  ensure compliance with minimum standards for the elimination of trafficking,
  including by establishing an interagency anti-trafficking structure. Take steps to
  reduce the demand for sex trafficking and forced labour, including through public
  education and advocacy campaigns.
- Strengthen and expand protections and programs addressing gender-based violence and sexual exploitation of children, including victims of trafficking, by ensuring that survivors have access to shelter, as well as to justice, health care services, and support services.
- 3. Respect and ensure the rights of Indigenous people related to the preservation of their land, culture, and resources.
- 4. Accede to the Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment.

## **Observations**

Canada welcomes Suriname's abolition of the death penalty from the Penal Code in April 2015, in accordance with recommendations made during its first Universal Periodic Review. We would encourage Suriname to extend this abolition to the Military Penal Code.

Canada commends Suriname's adoption of the 2014-2018 Roadmap to Combat Human Trafficking, and encourages concrete protection measures to be rapidly and effectively put in place that target persons who are marginalized and most vulnerable.

