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# Review of Lebanon

# Recommendations by Sweden

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Madam/Mr. President,

Sweden acknowledges efforts by Lebanon, notably the establishment of the National Human Rights Institute. However, effects of the economic crisis, and corruption on human rights are concerning. Continued, efforts are needed, particularly on non-discrimination and women’s and girls’ and LGBTI persons’ enjoyment of human rights.

Sweden would like to make the following recommendations:

1. Amend the nationality law to allow women to pass on citizenship to their children.
2. Amend the labour code to ensure the same protection to domestic workers as afforded to other workers and in line with the ILO Domestic Workers Convention.
3. Pass comprehensive anti-discrimination legislation prohibiting discrimination on the grounds of sexual orientation or gender identity and gives victims access to an effective remedy.
4. Facilitate access to employment for Palestinians by removing discriminatory restrictions in all professional fields and amend legislation limiting Palestinian refugees from owning property.

Thank you.