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Recommendations by Canada

Dominican Republic

Question

In 2010, the Dominican Republic agreed to ensure the establishment and implementation of proactive and effective approaches to combating and penalizing human trafficking. Could the Delegation of the Dominican Republic inform us on the status of the establishment and implementation of these approaches, progress achieved so far, number of individuals penalized and other relevant achievements?

Recommendations

Canada recommends that the Dominican Republic:

- 1) Take steps to ensure protection of the fundamental rights of all individuals born in the Dominican Republic, including the offspring of undocumented foreigners who may be at risk of becoming stateless as a consequence of Constitutional Tribunal ruling 168/13
- 2) Take measures to ensure that deportations are conducted in compliance with existing international obligations, and that immigration and law enforcement officials receive the necessary training to ensure the human rights of deportees are respected.
- 3) Investigate all allegations of the use of excessive force, including killings, by law enforcement agents and ensure they receive training on the appropriate use of force so as to prevent unnecessary casualties.

Observations

We welcome the advances made with respect to legislative initiatives to assist people with disabilities, allowing for greater social inclusion, a more productive life and respect for their rights.