## ADVANCE QUESTIONS TO LESOTHO (FIRST BATCH)

## UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND

- What steps will the Government of Lesotho take to ensure the timely implementation of the National Reforms Act 2019, including judicial and security reforms, for an equal and safer Lesotho for all?
- What is the status of the establishment of Lesotho's independent Human Rights Commission, and what steps will the Government take to ensure that the Commission is in place as a mechanism of human rights protection as soon as possible?
- What steps are the Government of Lesotho taking to protect journalists from undue interference, and ensuring that progress on a national media policy and the establishment of the proposed media council are brought to fruition?
- How does the Government plan to protect the rights of women and girls, including broadening the scope of women's rights under customary law, and the rights of LGBT persons?
- What steps are the Government of Lesotho taking to ensure that allegations of police brutality are independently investigated, and where torture and inhumane treatment is alleged, swift action is taken to bring perpetrators to justice?