

Universal Periodic Review Working Group – 32<sup>nd</sup> Session

Universal Periodic Review of Vietnam

Australia's Questions in Advance

1. What impact has the reduction in the number of crimes carrying the death penalty following the 2015 revision of Vietnam's penal code had on the number of people on death row?
2. Can Vietnam provide statistics on the number of people currently on death row in Vietnam?
3. Can Vietnam provide an update about progress and next steps on establishing an independent national human rights institution in compliance with the Paris Principles?
4. What is the Vietnamese government doing to promote access to information, including open, interoperable, reliable, secure and affordable access to the Internet for all its citizens?
5. Australia would be interested to learn more about the cooperation between the government and civil society organisations. We would appreciate more information from the Government on how non-governmental organisations operate in Vietnam, including details of any existing consultation processes between Government and civil society organisations.