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10. The report provides insufficient information on violence against women, but it acknowledges that domestic violence does occur (p. 44). Bearing in mind the Committee's general recommendation 19 regarding violence against women, please describe steps taken to develop a comprehensive strategy to combat all forms of violence against women, including the adoption of legislation and the introduction of capacity-building and awareness-raising programmes for various groups (such as the police, lawyers, health workers and the judiciary) and the general public.

Article 6

11. The report notes that owing to the combined impact of extreme poverty and the growing tourist industry, young girls are being lured into prostitution for quick money (p. 18). Please outline any measures that have been undertaken to fight extreme poverty so as to prevent young women from having to resort to prostitution, and also describe any programmes that have been developed for the physical and

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her spouse and would be deprived of her citizenship (p. 21). Please indicate if this provision has been or will be amended.

Article 10

16. Given the persistence of social discrimination girls face in gaining access to education (pp. 22 and 23), please indicate what practical measures have been undertaken to operationalize the stated goals of the revised education policy and the education master plan (p. 23) to improve overall access, enrolment and retention of girls at all levels of education and any progress achieved, and indicate if the master plan provides for the establishment of a programme of compulsory primary education.

17. While the report describes several adult litera

practices and describe awareness-raising initiatives and other programmes that have been undertaken or are envisaged to eliminate polygamy and early and forced marriage.

General

29. Kindly provide information about the situation of refugee women.

30. What measures and actions have been taken towards ratification of the Optional Protocol?
