Invitation to a breakfast briefing
The UN Nelson Mandela Rules on the Treatment of Prisoners:
trends and implementation

Thursday, 18 October 2018: 08:30 – 9.45am
Venue: Permanent Mission of Switzerland to the UN in New York,
Floor 29, 633 3rd Avenue, New York
Coffee and croissants served

At this breakfast briefing on the side-lines of the General Assembly, an expert panel will review current trends and developments in prisons including the implementation of the UN Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners (Nelson Mandela Rules). Penal Reform International’s annual Global Prison Trends 2018 report will be presented, as well as a new Guidance Document on the Nelson Mandela Rules published by OSCE’s Office on Democratic Institutions and Human Rights and Penal Reform International. Practical examples of the Mandela Rules application (and other international standards) will be shared to generate ideas and inspiration for their implementation.

Welcome and opening remarks
Ambassador Jürg Lauber, Permanent Representative of Switzerland to the United Nations in New York

Prisons: global trends and developments
Florian Irminger, Executive Director, Penal Reform International (PRI)

UN Nelson Mandela Rules: new guidance
Stephanie Selg, Adviser on Torture Prevention, OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR)

Application of the Nelson Mandela Rules in post-conflict settings
Isak Enstrom, Corrections Specialist,
UN Global Focal Point for Police, Justice and Corrections (UNDP)

Life-sentenced prisoners: treatment and the application of the Mandela Rules
Jennifer Turner, American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU)

Addressing violent extremism and radicalisation in prisons
Lucile Sengler, Human Rights Officer, UN Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED)

Moderated by: Valérie Wagner, First Secretary / Human Rights, Permanent Mission of Switzerland to the United Nations in New York