Human rights of women in conflict with the law

At this event, the panel will explore some of the human rights issues faced by women who are in conflict with the law, including violence and discrimination. Specific measures for Indigenous women prisoners in Canada will also be presented in a short video.

Date: Wednesday 15 June 2016
Time: 10 – 11.00am
Venue: Room IV, Building C, Palais des Nations, Geneva

Opening remarks
Ambassador Carsten Staur, Permanent Mission of Denmark

Impact of drug policies on women
Maria Luisa Silva, Director of the UNDP Office in Geneva

Gender perspectives on torture (video message)
Juan E. Méndez, Special Rapporteur on torture

Responses to women victims of domestic violence who kill their abusers
Olivia Rope, Penal Reform International

Indigenous women in prison (video)
Good practice from Canada

Closing remarks
Catherine Godin, Deputy Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Canada

Moderator: Laurel Townhead, Quaker UN Office