COMMITTEE ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD
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15 May – 2 June 2006

Optional Protocol on the involvement of children in armed conflict:
List of issues to be taken up in connection with the consideration of the report of ICELAND (CRC/C/OPAC/ISL/1)

1. In light of article 4 of the Optional Protocol, the Committee would appreciate information on the following questions relevant to international protection of children against recruitment in armed forces/groups:

   a) Does the State party assume any form of extraterritorial jurisdiction for recruitment of children under the age of 15 years (Article 38 of the Convention on the Rights of the Child)?
   b) Does the State party consider making recruitment of persons under the age of 18 years on its territory a crime?
   c) Does the State party consider making recruitment of a citizen under the age of 18 years outside of its territory a crime?

2. Please provide more information on Icelandic development assistance with regard to contributions and/or support to programmes abroad specifically concerned with children’s rights, including children victims of armed conflict.

3. Please provide statistical data (including by sex, age, country of origin) covering the years 2003, 2004 and 2005 on the number of unaccompanied asylum-seeking, refugee and migrant children coming from areas affected by armed conflict. Please provide more information on the outcome of the report presented by the working group on unaccompanied children in April 2004 (State party report paragraphs 11-13).

4. Please provide information on physical and psychological recovery and social reintegration programmes for asylum-seeking, refugee and migrant children in Iceland who may have been involved in armed conflicts.

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