COMMITTEE ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD

Forty-seventh session

SUMMARY RECORD (PARTIAL)* OF THE 1313th MEETING

Held at the Palais Wilson, Geneva,
on Friday, 1 February 2008, at 12.40 p.m.

Chairperson: Ms. LEE

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The meeting was called to order at 12.40 p.m.

ADOPTION OF THE COMMITTEE’S REPORT ON ITS FORTY-SEVENTH SESSION (CRC/C/47/3)

1. The CHAIRPERSON said that the Committee had considered the initial report of Timor-Leste, the second periodic report of the Dominican Republic, the initial reports of Chile, Kuwait and Timor-Leste under article 12, paragraph 1, of the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography, and the initial reports of Chile, Germany, Kuwait, Timor-Leste and Ireland under article 8 of the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the involvement of children in armed conflict. Consideration of the third periodic report of Georgia had been postponed at the request of the State party.

2. Mr. KRAPPMAN (Rapporteur), giving a short overview of other issues discussed during the session, said that the Committee had considered the follow-up process that would ensure that the recommendations of the Study on Violence against Children were implemented.

3. The Committee had discussed a draft general comment under article 12 of the Convention, and hoped to adopt the general comment in 2008.

4. Preparations had been made for the forthcoming day of general discussion, which would focus on the rights of the child in emergency situations.

5. A number of discussions and informal meetings had been held with experts and organizations, including the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), the International Baby Food Action Network, and the International Federation of Social Workers. The Committee had recently been cooperating with the Executive Board of the United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF) on a number of issues and would continue to do so on a regular basis. The Committee had discussed the initiative of NGOs to establish a complaints procedure under the Convention.

6. The CHAIRPERSON invited the Committee to consider the remainder of the report.

7. The report of the forty-seventh session, as a whole, was adopted.

CLOSURE OF THE SESSION

8. The CHAIRPERSON declared closed the forty-seventh session of the Committee on the Rights of the Child.

The meeting rose at 12.55 p.m.