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OPTIONAL PROTOCOL ON THE SALE OF CHILDREN, CHILD PROSTITUTION AND CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

List of issues to be taken up in connection with the consideration

of the initial report of SUDAN (CRC/C/OPSC/SDN/1)

The State party is requested to submit in written form additional and updated information, if possible before 2 of April 2007

1. Please provide, if available, statistical data (including by sex, age group, urban/rural area) for the years 2004, 2005 and 2006 on the number of:

(a) Reported cases of sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography, with additional information on type of follow-up provided on the outcome of the cases, including prosecution, withdrawals and sanctions for perpetrators;

(b) Children trafficked to and from Sudan, as well as trafficked within the country;

(c) Child victims provided with recovery assistance and compensation as indicated in article 9.3 and 9.4 of the Protocol.

2. Please clarify whether there is any national plan of action or any other policy or programme elaborated on the areas covered by the Optional Protocol.

3. Please clarify what the legal status of the Optional Protocol is in the State party's legislation.

4. Please provide additional information on measures taken to enable implementation of the Optional Protocol throughout the country and in particular in Southern Sudan.

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5. Please elaborate on recent activities undertaken by the National Council for Child Welfare for the implementation of the Optional Protocol and the coordination of the activities in this regard.

6. Please provide more information on measures taken to establish an effective system of data collection on the issues covered by the Optional Protocol.

7. Please provide information on provisions in the criminal law or other laws regarding:

Importing, exporting and possession of child pornography (art. 3(1)(c));

Improperly inducing consent, as an intermediary, for the adoption of a child (art. 3 (1)(a)(ii));

Offering, obtaining, procuring or providing a child for child prostitution (art. 3(1)(b));

Criminal liability of legal persons (art. 3(4));

Extraterritorial jurisdiction if the victim of one of the acts covered by the Optional Protocol is a national of Sudan (art. 4 (2)(b)).

8. Please clarify whether the national plan to combat all forms of violence mentioned in para. 88 of the State's party report has been approved. Please also provide more information on its scope and content in particular in relation to the implementation of this Optional Protocol.

9. Please provide information on measures to ensure that all persons involved in the adoption of a child act in conformity with applicable international legal instruments (art. 3(5)).

10. Please provide information on cases in which the Standing Order No. 15 of 2000 (para. 100 of the State party's report) has been applied.

11. Please provide further information about the results of the meetings mentioned in para. 6 of the State's party report - notably

under points 1, 9 and 10 – in terms of legislative measures taken, e.g. amendments to the Children’s Act 2004 or the criminal law which may be relevant for the Optional Protocol.

12. Please provide further information about the results of the implementation of: (a) the memorandum of understanding signed with Qatar on children working in camel racing in Qatar; and (b) the memorandum of understanding with the United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF) for the protection and reintegration of children involved in camel-racing in the United Arab Emirates.

13. Please provide further information on the measures taken to protect the rights and interests of child victims of the practices prohibited under the Protocol at all stages of the criminal justice process, and in particular on the rules and

practice concerning the protection of child victims who have to testify in criminal cases.

14. Please provide further information on measures taken to protect children in camps for internally displaced persons in Darfur from being used, offered or procured for the purpose of sexual exploitation and forced labour (including forced recruitment).

15. Please elaborate further on the measures taken to prevent the offences referred to in the Protocol, in particular with respect to children who may be especially vulnerable to such practices, such as street children and children displaced from the armed conflict. Please also elaborate on the measures, if any, aimed at promoting awareness in the public at large, including among children, about the harmful effects of the offences referred to in the Protocol.

16. Please elaborate on the measures available to provide appropriate assistance to victims of the offences covered by the Optional Protocol, including their full social reintegration and their full physical and psychological recovery.

17. Please indicate whether special training, particularly legal and psychological, is provided to persons working in the area of recovery and social reintegration of child victims of the offences under the Optional Protocol.
