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List of issues in relation to the initial report of Germany submitted under the Optional Protocol on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography (CRC/C/OPSC/DEU/1)

The State party is requested to submit in writing additional, updated information (15 pages maximum), if possible before 1 November 2013.

The Committee may take up all aspects of children's rights contained in the Optional Protocol during the dialogue with the State Party.

1. Please provide information on measures taken by the State party to ensure that its national criminal legislation is in full compliance with articles 2 and 3 of the Optional Protocol, including on the explicit criminalization of forced child begging.
2. Please provide statistical data (disaggregated by sex, age, socioeconomic background, ethnic group and urban/rural residence) for 2010, 2011 and 2012 on:
 - (a) Reports of sale of children (disaggregated by purpose of sale, namely, sale for purposes of sexual exploitation, transfer of organs for profit, or forced labour), child prostitution, child pornography and child sex tourism together with information on action taken in response to these reports, in particular prosecutions brought and penalties imposed;
 - (b) The number of children trafficked into, out of, and within the territory of the State party for purposes of sale, prostitution, or pornography as defined in article 3, paragraph 1, of the Optional Protocol, together with information on action taken in response, in particular the number of prosecutions brought and the type of penalties imposed for each conviction; and
 - (c) The number of child victims provided with assistance for recovery or compensation in accordance with article 9, paragraphs 3 and 4, of the Optional Protocol.
3. Please provide information on the progress made in developing a centralized data collection system on cases of sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography with a view to ensuring a coordinated system of data collection which encompasses all of the State party's agencies involved in child protection matters under the Optional Protocol.

4. Please indicate what activities have been conducted to raise awareness and disseminate the Optional Protocol among the general public, among relevant professional groups working with and for children and among children.
 5. Please indicate whether there is a governmental body or agency which is responsible for the coordination of activities under the Optional Protocol, including monitoring and evaluation.
 6. Please inform the Committee on the measures taken to pay particular attention to children who are especially vulnerable to becoming victims of the offences under the Optional Protocol, especially children in irregular migration situations, children living in poverty, and unaccompanied children. Please indicate whether there is a mechanism in place in the State party to identify, detect, and monitor children at risk of becoming victims of any of the offences under the Optional Protocol.
 7. Please provide updated details on cases, if any, initiated on behalf of any children who may have been victims of one of the offences criminalized in the Optional Protocol. In doing so please provide information on any compensation provided.
 8. Please provide information on measures taken by the State party to ensure adequate protection and procedures which address the special needs of children who are victims and/or witnesses of offences under the Optional Protocol.
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