

**Convention on the Rights of the Child**

COMMITTEE ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD

Forty-ninth session

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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 Uganda (CRC/C/OPSC/UGA/1)**

The State party is requested to submit in written form additional and updated information, if possible, before 8 August 2008.

With reference to articles 2 and 3, please provide data (including by sex, age, urban/rural areas) for the years 2005, 2006, and 2007 on the following:

The number of reported cases of sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography, with additional information on the type of follow-up provided on the outcome of the cases, including prosecution and sanctions for perpetrators;

The number of child victims provided with recovery assistance and compensation as defined in article 9, paragraphs 3 and 4, of the Optional Protocol.

Please update the Committee on measures taken to establish an effective system of data collection on violations of the provisions of the Optional Protocol.

Please inform the Committee whether the State party has adopted or considered adopting a national plan of action to combat violations of the Optional Protocol.

Please clarify the role played by the Ugandan Commission on Human Rights in monitoring implementation of the provisions of the Optional Protocol and whether the Commission has the mandate to receive complaints from, or on behalf, of children on violations of the Optional Protocol.

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Please inform the Committee of progress made in the reform of the Penal Code with regards to incorporation of the provisions of the Optional Protocol.

Please clarify whether legal persons can be held accountable for offences covered by the Optional Protocol.

Please explain how the State party may establish jurisdiction over offences in accordance with articles 4 and 5 of the Optional Protocol.

Please inform the Committee of the social reintegration assistance as well as physical and psychosocial recovery measures available for victims of offences covered by the Optional Protocol and the State budget allocations for this purpose.

Please indicate whether special training is provided to professionals, such as prosecutors, judges, social workers and medical professionals, who come into contact with child victims of the offences under the Optional Protocol.

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