



Convention on the Rights of the Child

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Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography

List of issues concerning additional and updated information related to the initial report of Sweden (CRC/C/OPSC/SWE/1)

The State party is requested to submit in written form additional and updated information, if possible, before 2 August 2011, not exceeding 15 pages

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 statistical data (disaggregated by sex, age, origin, ethnicity, and socio-economic status) and its trend analysis for 2008, 2009 and 2010 on the number of:

(a) Reports of sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography, with additional information on the type of action taken as a result, including the prosecution and punishment of perpetrators;

(b) Children trafficked into and out of Sweden and children trafficked within the country for the purpose of sale, prostitution or pornography as defined in article 3, paragraph 1, of the Optional Protocol, including the prosecution and punishment of perpetrators;

(c) Child victims who have been given assistance for recovery and social reintegration or been paid compensation, in accordance with article 9, paragraphs 3 and 4, of the Optional Protocol;

(d) Perpetrators of offences under the Optional Protocol, including on the rates of (i) prosecutions and (ii) recidivism of such offences.

2. Please provide updated information on:

(a) The implementation of mandatory training on the Optional Protocol for all persons working with and for children;

(b) The implementation of training programmes in follow-up to the Swedish National Action Plan for Safeguarding Children from Sexual Exploitation (2007);

(c) The establishment of a special knowledge centre for spreading and implementing knowledge on the sexual exploitation of children, as mentioned in paragraph 29 of the State party report, and on any other measures taken to enhance knowledge and awareness on offences under the Optional Protocol.

3. Please provide information on measures undertaken by the State party to prevent and combat child sex tourism, including concrete measures taken to implement the Code of Conduct for the Protection of Children from Sexual Exploitation in Travel and Tourism (1998), by regulating the Swedish-based tourism industry in the State party as well as abroad.

4. Please provide updated information on the measures undertaken to implement the new legislation on “Adult contacts with children for sexual purposes” (2009). In doing so, please also provide specific information on the implementation of the legislation in the context of Internet communications.

5. Please provide information on specific provisions, if any, addressing the trafficking of children in the Penal Code.

6. Please provide updated information on whether the State party has reviewed its legislation on offences under the Optional Protocol requiring double criminality, including those set out in paragraphs 67 and 75 of the State party report.

7. Please indicate whether the State party has, since the entry into force of the Optional Protocol, requested the extradition of any person accused of any of the offences referred to in the Optional Protocol and, if so, whether such request(s) have been honoured by the requesting State(s).

8. Please indicate measures taken to ensure that, in practice, foreign child victims of all offences under the Optional Protocol have access to assistance and protection services which meet the same quality standards as those provided to Swedish children.

9. Please provide details on measures undertaken by the State party to provide compensation to victims of offences under the Optional Protocol pursuant to its Crime Victim Compensation Act (2001).

10. Please provide information on measures, if any, to ensure the mandatory disclosure of criminal records of offenders of crimes under the Optional Protocol in all job applications for positions involving work with children.
