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List of issues of be taken up in connection with the consideration of the initial report of France (CRC/C/OPAC/FRA/1)

The State party is requested to submit in written form additional and updated information, if possible, before 6 August 2007.

Please clarify which authority is in charge of the implementation of the Optional Protocol. Please also indicate whether there is any mechanism available for monitoring and periodically evaluating its implementation.

With regard to military schools, please clarify the status of such schools and the status of their pupils, especially those under 18. Please indicate whether they are subject to military disciplinary authority.

Please provide detailed information on measures taken with regard to the physical and psychological recovery and social reintegration of refugees, asylum-seeking and migrant children entering France, who may have been involved in armed conflict abroad.

GE.07-42675 Please provide information on education and training on the provisions of the Optional Protocol. With regard to the human rights education provided at different levels of the French Defence Forces, please provide updated information on the human rights education available, in particular regarding the scope of application of the Optional Protocol. Considering that France is engaged in United Nations peacekeeping operations, and other multilaterally coordinated international military operations, please provide information on education and training on human rights, in particular on children's rights, provided to French citizens serving in these operations abroad. Please also describe other measures taken to disseminate information on the Optional Protocol.
