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World Congress III against Sexual Exploitation of Children and Adolescents

The Development of Child/Adolescent Friendly Materials By the Children and Adolescent Participation Commission

Background:

As part of the strategy to ensure the meaningful participation of children and adolescents (12-18 years) in World Congress III, the Children and Adolescent Participation Commission comprising of representatives from the Government of Brazil, ECPAT, Save the Children and UNICEF, has developed a plan to produce child/adolescent friendly material.

This plan has been outlined in the Concept Note for Children and Adolescent Participation (Final Draft 23rd June 08) produced by the Commission.

The plan relates to the following objectives of child and adolescent girls and boys participation in the World Congress III and related processes:

- **To strengthen the institutionalization of meaningful adolescent participation within the participating governments, civil society and private sector partners, through the establishment of child-friendly structures and processes for their consistent and substantive participation in public policy decisions that can enhance realization of their right to protection against sexual exploitation and in analysis, planning and implementation of the Agenda for Action**
- **To provide an opportunity for adolescents to share their experiences, good practices and models of successful adolescents led interventions against sexual exploitation in their regions/globally**
- **To facilitate adolescents to contribute to the formulation of measurable targets (specific targets/goals with indicators) against sexual exploitation with government, planners, policy makers, civil society organisations, young people's organisations and networks, etc. in the WC III processes.**
- **To ensure follow-up mechanism (in terms of sharing of outcomes and implementation of the recommendations of the Regional Consultation, thematic consultation, and the World Congress III) with wider groups of policy makers, CSOs, adolescents back in their countries/regions, and to see follow-up institutionalized in relevant organizations, adolescent networks and projects**

Child-Adolescent Friendly Materials:

The **suggested components** of this plan to strengthen children and adolescent participation and the inclusion of their voices based on the above objectives are as follows¹:

- *Child-Adolescent Friendly Brochure on WC III* (questions & answers and background information for the children and adolescents participating at the Congress)
- *Child-Adolescent Friendly Fact Sheets on Thematic Background Papers* (produced and funded by ECPAT)
- *KIT for Children and Adolescents participating in the Preparatory Forum and WC III* (a full package of information including consent forms etc)
- *Global Report of the Preparatory Forum*
- *Child-Adolescent Friendly version of the Outcome Document of WC III*
- *Child-Adolescent friendly material on adolescent action to end sexual exploitation of children and adolescents* (either a publication or a video to be produced and funded by UNICEF)
- *Child-Adolescent Friendly version of UNICEF Research Paper on Children and Adolescent's Participation and Protection from Sexual Abuse and Exploitation* (funded by UNICEF)
- *ECPAT's Child Friendly Information on CSEC* (reprint funded by ECPAT)
- *ECPAT's Young People's Participation Good Practices* (reprint)
- *ECPAT Journal on Child & Youth Participation against CSEC* (produced and funded by ECPAT)
- *Child-Adolescent Friendly Fact Sheets on CST* (produced and funded by ECPAT)
- *Child-Adolescent Friendly Fact Sheets on Trafficking* (produced and funded by ECPAT)

The Commission is committed to produce this material in a **maximum of 3 languages** (English, French and Spanish) although Portuguese will also be

¹ The documents highlighted in turquoise are being produced by the named (underlined) agency and have the required budgets allocated

considered. Support organisations in countries and regions would be responsible for further and wider translations into local languages.

The material will be produced for the **target age group** participating in the World Congress III and related processes, that is 12-18 years. Drafts of these materials will be tested or piloted with the target age groups, wherever possible, before their final publication

The Commission has mandated **ECPAT and Save the Children** to coordinate the development of this material, in close liaison and with financial support from UNICEF.

The **time frame** for producing this material is from July-November 2008 for the preparatory process, and from December 2008 onwards for follow up processes (Report of the Preparatory Meeting, Outcome document).

Existing child-protection materials will be also shared with adolescents to understand their protection rights²

- *United Nations Secretary-General's Study on Violence against Children. Adapted for Children and Young People*
- *ECPAT International Youth Partnership Project against CSEC Good Practices publication*http://www.ecpat.net/EI/PDF/CYP/Good_Practices_ENG.pdf
- *Our Right to be Protected from Violence. Activities for Learning and Taking Action for Children and Young People*
http://www.violencestudy.org/IMG/pdf/Our_Right_to_be_Protected_from_Violence-2.pdf
- *Safe you and Safe Me, Save the Children (2005)-*
www.violencestudy.org/IMG/pdf/safeyoufinal.pdf
- *Save the Children (2005): Children's Actions to End Violence Against Girls and Boys* <http://www.rb.se/NR/rdonlyres/FAAC13B4-D0E9-43FF-859F-DCD148A554D2/0/3293Actionrapportwebb.pdf>

In addition to disseminating and producing paper material, **progressive technology** (Voices of Youth, Web 2.0 and Wikki technology and social networking) will be harnessed to gather the concerns and recommendations of children and adolescents and ensure that they are incorporated in the development of the thematic background papers and outcome document. There will also be a collaboration between UNICEF and MTV Exit to produce and disseminate a music video to raise awareness among children and adolescents.

² <http://www.unviolencestudy.org/>

Financing the Child-Adolescent Friendly Materials:

ECPAT, Save the Children and UNICEF have committed the following **funds** to this work:³

Funding required:⁴ USD 83,950

Funds committed:

ECPAT: USD 39,410
(covers the materials highlighted above)

Save the Children: USD 20,000⁵
(to be allocated)

UNICEF: USD 12,500
(covers research paper highlighted above)
USD 30,000
(to be allocated)

Total committed: USD 101,910

Still to be costed: Child friendly version UNICEF research paper
Publication/video on child-adolescent action

³ Also see ECPAT child friendly budget attached. The materials highlighted in yellow have guaranteed funding from ECPAT

⁴ Ditto above

⁵ Final amount from Save the Children to be confirmed