## SIERRA LEONE

## CRC OPTIONAL PROTOCOL (ARMED CONFLICT)

## **RESERVATIONS AND DECLARATIONS**

(Unless otherwise indicated, the reservations and declarations were made upon ratification, accession or succession)

## Declaration:

"With regard to article 3, paragraph 2, of the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the participation of Children in Armed Conflict, the Government of the Republic of Sierra Leone declares that:

- 1. The minimum age for voluntary recruitment into the Armed Forces is 18 years;
- 2. There is no compulsory, forced or coerced recruitment into the National Armed Forces;
- 3. Recruitment is exclusively on a voluntary basis."