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**OPTIONAL PROTOCOL ON THE INVOLVEMENT
OF CHILDREN IN ARMED CONFLICT**

**List of issues to be taken up in connection with the consideration
of the initial report of GERMANY (CRC/C/OPAC/DEU/1)**

The State party is requested to submit in written form additional and updated information, if possible, before 23 November 2007.

1. Please provide information on the competent governmental departments and bodies responsible for the implementation of the Optional Protocol and their coordination with regional and local authorities as well as with civil society. Please also indicate whether there is any mechanism available for monitoring and periodically evaluating its implementation.
2. Please indicate whether there is any legal provision criminalizing compulsory recruitment or involving in hostilities of a person under 18.
3. Please provide information as to whether Germany assumes extraterritorial jurisdiction over the war crime of conscripting or enlisting children under the age of 15 into the armed forces or using them to participate actively in hostilities. Also in relation to extraterritorial jurisdiction, please indicate whether German courts have jurisdiction in case of compulsory recruitment or involvement in hostilities of a person under 18 if committed outside Germany, by or against a German citizen.
4. Please provide disaggregated data by age and sex on the number of children under 18 within the Bundeswehr.

5. Please provide information on education and training on human rights including the provisions of the Optional Protocol and peace education in school curricula as well as at different levels of the Bundeswehr. Furthermore, considering that Germany is engaged in the United Nations peacekeeping operations, please provide information on education and training on human rights, in particular on children's rights, provided to German servicing in these operations abroad. Furthermore, please provide information with respect to dissemination of information related to the issues covered by the Optional Protocol in general.

6. Please provide more information on international cooperation and financial assistance provided by Germany with respect to the prevention of acts contrary to the Optional Protocol and for the physical and psychological recovery of child victims.

7. Please provide disaggregated data (including by sex, age and country of origin) covering the years 2004, 2005 and 2006 on the number of unaccompanied asylum-seeking, refugee and migrant children coming to Germany from areas affected by armed conflict. In this regard, please provide information on the measures taken to identify, at the earliest possible stage, children that have been recruited or used in hostilities who enter the State party for refuge or asylum. Furthermore, please provide information on rehabilitation, social reintegration and other services provided to children recruited or used in hostilities who entered the State party for refuge or asylum.
