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Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the involvement of children in armed conflict

List of issues concerning additional and updated information related to the consideration of the initial report of Montenegro (CRC/C/OPAC/MNE/1)

The Committee may take up all aspects of children's rights contained in the Optional Protocol during the dialogue with the State Party.

The State Party is requested to submit in written form additional and updated information, if possible, before 2 August 2010, not exceeding 15 pages.

- 1. Please indicate whether the recruitment or use in hostilities by armed groups other than the Armed Forces of the State party, in accordance with article 4, paragraph 2, of the Optional Protocol is criminalized.
- 2. Please provide information on training programmes on the provisions of the Optional Protocol for personnel of peacekeeping missions.
- 3. Please explain whether the State party can assume extraterritorial jurisdiction over the war crime of conscripting or enlisting children under the age of 15 years into the Armed Forces or using them to participate actively in hostilities. Also, in relation to extraterritorial jurisdiction, please inform the Committee whether courts have jurisdiction in cases of forced recruitment or involvement in hostilities of a person under 18 years if committed outside the State party by or against one of its nationals.
- 4. Please inform the Committee whether national legislation prohibits the sale of arms when the final destination is a country where children are known to be, or may potentially be, recruited or used in hostilities.

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