

TOGO

CRC OPTIONAL PROTOCOL (ARMED CONFLICT)

RESERVATIONS AND DECLARATIONS

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

Declaration:

In accordance with article 3 (2) of the Optional Protocol, the Government of the Republic of Togo:

(i) Declares that the minimum age at which voluntary recruitment into its national armed forces is permitted is eighteen (18) years;

(ii) The following is a description of the safeguards that the Government has adopted to ensure that such recruitment is not forced or coerced:

Any person under 18 years of age cannot be recruited, neither accepted for recruitment, even voluntarily, nor registered as a member of the Togolese Armed Forces (FAT).

National military service does not exist in Togo.

The recruitment is national, voluntary, conducted in public upon presentation of a birth certificate, a school or training certificate and of diplomas obtained.

All recruits undergo a rigorous medical examination.