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OF CHILDREN AND EQUALITY

Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities  
Att.: Jorge Araya

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**Draft guidelines**

**-independent Monitoring Frameworks and their participation in the work of the Committee --for periodic reporting to the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities**

Dear Mr. Jorge Araya,

We have received the draft guidelines from the CRPD-committee concerning independent Monitoring Frameworks and their participation in the work of the Committee and the draft guidelines for periodic reporting to the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

Concerning guidelines for Monitoring Frameworks the Norwegian Ministry of Children and Equality Affairs (focal point) proposes that the CRPD-committee contacts the monitoring mechanisms in the countries that have ratified the CRPD-Convention for consultation. As focal point we do not intervene in the way the Monitoring Framework is carrying out their work. In Norway the monitoring mechanism is The Equality and Anti-Discrimination Ombud ([www.ldo.no](http://www.ldo.no)).

The draft guidelines for periodic reporting to the Committee on the rights of Persons with Disabilities are very comprehensive and detailed. The draft guidelines has many reporting requirements under each article. The limitation in the number of pages in the national reports makes it difficult to reply to all the requirements the CRPD-committee has to the national reports. We would appreciate far less detailed reporting guidelines.

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