

Permanent Mission of the Republic of Azerbaijan to the UN Office and other International Organizations

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The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Azerbaijan to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, and with reference to the Latter's Note Verbale dated 29 August 2019 regarding the Human Rights Council resolution 40/14, has the honour to transmit herewith the information received from the State Committee for Family, Women and Children Affairs of the Republic of Azerbaijan in response to the questions reflected in the above-mentioned Note Verbale.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Azerbaijan to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights the assurances of its highest consideration.

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Information submitted by the Government of the Republic of Azerbaijan with regard to the questions on the theme "Realizing children's rights through a healthy environment"

Q-4: The State Committee for Family, Women and Children Affairs (SCFWCA), Republic of Azerbaijan organizes regular trainings concerning prevention of child labour and raising-awareness. Regional representatives of State Labor Inspectorate, police officers, and employees of the Commission on Juvenile Issues and Protection of Minors' Rights of the local districts and cities of Executive Authorities participated in the trainings. Training attendees were informed regarding international conventions, national legislation, international experience to combat child labor, as well as discussions were held concerning the topic and recommendations are taken into account.

In 2018, the Government of Azerbaijan approved the State Program for the Development of Official Statistics in the Republic of Azerbaijan in 2018–2025. The Working Group on statistical study of the nature and extent of child labor has been established in accordance with the relevant provision of the State Program.

Q-5: In the country, participation of children in public life, learning their views regarding the issues that concerns them and discussions with them regarding the issues in the area of child rights has become a leading trend. A National Forum on Azerbaijani Children has been held every two years in the country since 2009. The main feature of the Forum is that the management throughout the Forum is carried out by the children. Children have the chance to discuss the issues with the relevant government officials, and make suggestions to the relevant government agencies regarding the issues concerning them. Children discuss the issues, such as equal rights and opportunities for children, education, internet safety, the environment, healthy lifestyle, managing recreational time, as well as the roles and responsibilities of families and society in the development of children's personalities with the senior government officials during the Forum. Children representing all cities and districts of Azerbaijan partake in the Forum. The recommendations made by the Forum attendees have been taken into account in programs and laws prepared by the government over the past years. Finally, the participants of Forum initiate a Coordination Council which assists them to prepare for the next forum and organize trainings on child rights for their peers.