

Thank you chair,

On behalf of DKA Austria, Child Rights Connect, ECPAT International, Clínica de Direitos Humanos UFMG and Clínica de Direitos Humanos PPGD/PUCPR.

At Article 7 we propose to add in the title and reparation, which then would be:

Article 7. Access to Remedy and Reparation

At 7.1. we propose to add: -access to adequate, timely and effective remedy and reparation and access to justice, and to overcome the specific obstacles which women, to include here: children, people in vulnerable situations or marginalized and groups face in accessing such mechanisms and remedies.

7.2.-to include States Parties shall ensure that their domestic laws facilitate to add to victim access to relevant information concerning violations and reparation mechanisms both from businesses and State agencies, including through international cooperation, as set out in this (Legally Binding Instrument

7.3. to include-States Parties shall provide adequate and effective measures instead of legal assistance to victims throughout the legal process, including by:

- a. Making information available and accessible to victims of their rights and the status of their claims; to add and the timing of the proceedings, in relevant languages and accessible formats to adults and children alike, including those with disabilities and providing where needed free legal aid to child victims;
- b. Guaranteeing the rights of victims to be heard in all stages of proceedings to add: according to their special needs and rights, keeping in mind that child victims may only be heard and participate voluntarily, within a child friendly environment and through the use of child-sensitive methods;

We propose to remove e, as This issue is more clearly already addressed and drafted under article 9 and should probably be deleted from article 7.

We propose at the end of 7.4: such as cases concerning child victims.

At 7.5 we propose to change to wording to

States Parties shall adopt measures to empower judges in civil proceedings concerning human rights abuses, when appropriate and as applicable, to order the reversal of the burden of proof or the production of proof of a certain fact to the party that is in a better position to provide the evidence or clarify the controversial facts.

Thank you chair for taking our proposal into consideration.