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From: IE Sexual Orientation And Gender Identity OHCHR
Sent: 16 March 2021 13:39
To: wwixom@unitedfamilies.org; agallart@unitedfamilies.org
Cc: DE PREUX DE BAETS Catherine; TANAKA Taro
Subject: [External] Fw: Submission to the report on gender, sexual orientation and gender identity

Dear Wendy,

Thank you for your email. We take note that the submission is made solely by April Gallart, but not by United Families International.

Dear April,

This is to acknowledge that the Independent Expert on SOGI has received your reply to the questionnaire. Many thanks for your contribution.

Unless we hear otherwise from you, **your contribution will be posted online** among the contributions received for this call for input.

Best regards,

The IE SOGI Team

Independent Expert on protection against violence and discrimination based on sexual orientation & gender identity
Special Procedures Branch
Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

From: wwixom@unitedfamilies.org <wwixom@unitedfamilies.org>
Sent: 13 March 2021 01:11
To: iie-sogi@ohchr.org; Registry OHCHR <registry@ohchr.org>
Subject: [External] Fw: Submission to the report on gender, sexual orientation and gender identity

March 12, 2021

Subject: Submission to the report on gender, sexual orientation and gender identity

To Whom it may Concern:

I am writing to request the recently submitted statement by April Gallart be withdrawn. (See below email.) April is associated with United Families International but is not authorized to submit statements on behalf of the organization.

Again, please withdraw April Gallart's statement as a formal submission of United Families International.

It is acceptable to us, and preferred, that April's statement be retained, but under her name solely.

Thank you for your kind attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Wendy Wixom, President
United Families International

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From: **April Gallart** <agallart@unitedfamilies.org>
Date: Fri, Mar 12, 2021 at 12:15 PM
Subject: Submission to the report on gender, sexual orientation and gender identity
To: <iie-sogi@ohchr.org>, <registry@ohchr.org>

We are deeply concerned that your current and past reports have and will go far beyond the content and scope of your mandate in harmful ways. Specifically, the thrust of your work is not in conformity with the principles as listed in HRC Res 5/1, which require "universality", "impartiality", "objectivity", "non-selectiveness" and a "gender perspective" as understood by States to mean a women's equality perspective and NOT a transgender perspective.

The term "gender identity" does not appear in any binding international agreements negotiated by the full body of UN Member States. Every time it has been proposed, it has been rejected by UN Member States due to its controversial nature.

The terms "gender" and "gender equality" are common terms used throughout the UN system and in multiple UN documents and resolutions adopted by consensus by UN member States to advance the equality of women and girls and were never intended to advance highly controversial transgender policies.

Instead of trying to create special protections for people based on their internal perceptions of themselves, which can change over time, we should enforce existing laws and policies calling for the elimination of violence against anyone.

Girls and women have been extended special protections and rights due to the disproportionate amount of discrimination, harassment and violence that girls and women experience--not because they identify as "girls" or women", but due to the biological reality of being female and the inherent differences between the sexes.

The Independent Expert on SOGI is seeking to implement so-called "comprehensive sexuality education" (CSE) designed to indoctrinate children and mainstream queer theory, an unhealthy belief system that encourages children to disassociate themselves from their biological sex in harmful ways. It should be noted the concepts of "comprehensive sexuality education" and "sexual orientation and gender identity" were specifically rejected from the 2030 Agenda by many UN Member States and that the establishment of this SOGI expert's mandate is a deliberate attempt to override the positions of States opposed to such and coerce them into accepting SOGI rights.

This is a direct assault on the sovereignty of UN Member States and an abuse of the UN system. We are highly opposed to the Independent Expert on SOGI's overstepping of his mandate and reject the underlying assumptions upon which this request for input has been made.

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**Kindly,
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