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OPTIONAL PROTOCOL ON THE INVOLVEMENT OF CHILDREN IN ARMED CONFLICT

List of issues to be taken up in connection with the consideration of the initial report of Lithuania (CRC/C/OPAC/LTU/1)

The State party is requested to submit in written form additional and updated information, if possible, before 6 August 2007.

1. Please inform the Committee whether Lithuania assumes extra-territorial jurisdiction over war crimes which involve conscripting or enlisting children into armed forces or armed groups or making them take a direct part in hostilities, in particular if committed by or against a Lithuanian citizen.

2. Please provide disaggregated data (including by sex, age and country of origin) on the number of unaccompanied asylum-seeking, refugee and migrant children who have come to Lithuania from areas affected by armed conflict since 2003.

3. Please provide information on what measures are being taken to facilitate the physical and psychological recovery and social reintegration of children who may have been involved in armed conflicts abroad, and whether training in this regard is being provided to professionals working with asylum-seeking, refugee and migrant children.

4. Please could you clarify the role which members of the Lithuanian Riflemen's Union (Sauliy sajunga) who have not reached the age of 18 would have in the event of war.

5. Please inform the Committee whether measures have been taken to make the principles and provisions of the Optional Protocol widely known, including among members of the armed forces.

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