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Promotion and protection of the rights of children

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## **Strengthening collaboration on child protection within the United Nations system**

*The General Assembly,*

*Reaffirming* the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations,

*Recalling* the Convention on the Rights of the Child<sup>1</sup> and its Optional Protocols,<sup>2</sup> and reaffirming all its previous resolutions on the rights of the child and resolution 66/139, adopted on 19 December 2011,

*Recognizing* the primary role and responsibility of the State in the promotion and protection of the rights of the child, including child protection, bearing in mind the importance of relevant actors of the United Nations supporting the State in this regard in accordance with their respective mandates,

*Reaffirming* that the best interest of the child, non-discrimination, participation and survival and development provide the framework for all actions concerning children, including those of a State and all relevant actors of the United Nations dealing with the promotion and protection of the rights of the child, including child protection,

*Recognizing* the important role and the continuing work of the United Nations system and all its relevant actors in the promotion and protection of the rights of the child, including child protection, and recognizing also the role and contribution of civil society in this regard,

*Stressing* that further strengthening collaboration within the United Nations system on the promotion and protection of the rights of the child, including child protection, is important for continuing to support efforts of Member States in the realization of the rights of the child, and in this regard reaffirms the important role

<sup>1</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1577, No. 27531.

<sup>2</sup> *Ibid.*, vols. 2171 and 2173, No. 27531.



that the General Assembly continues to play in strengthening collaboration and coherence within the United Nations system,

1. *Takes note with appreciation* of the report of the Secretary-General on collaboration within the United Nations system on child protection,<sup>3</sup> which represents an advance in compiling useful information on existing collaboration among all relevant actors of the United Nations on child protection;

2. *Welcomes* the existing collaboration among relevant actors of the United Nations working on the promotion and protection of the rights of the child, including child protection, and encourages them, within existing resources and in accordance with their respective mandates, to highlight information on such collaboration in their existing reports to the General Assembly and to also address this issue within the framework of the existing Third Committee interactive dialogue under the item entitled “Promotion and protection of the rights of children”, and invites these United Nations actors to further enhance their collaboration;

3. *Also welcomes* the strategic plan, 2014-2017, of the United Nations Children’s Fund, which was developed in close collaboration with relevant United Nations funds, programmes and agencies, and stresses, among other things, capacity development and South-South cooperation as key implementation strategies;

4. *Reiterates* the importance of all relevant actors of the United Nations on child protection to continue to exercise their functions in a fully independent manner and to act in full observance of their respective mandates;

5. *Underlines* the importance of sustained, adequate resources and support for the work of the United Nations system on the promotion and protection of the rights of the child, including child protection, and in this regard strongly encourages enhanced voluntary contributions to support the work of all relevant actors of the United Nations, so as to ensure the delivery of the necessary technical assistance and capacity-building in the area of child protection;

6. *Requests* the United Nations Children’s Fund, in collaboration with relevant stakeholders, to develop, within existing resources, a compendium of activities on child protection work of the United Nations system, which should (a) serve as a database on capacity development for both the United Nations system and Member States, to be updated and submitted to the General Assembly at its seventy-first session, and (b) highlight instances where relevant United Nations actors on child protection have collaborated and delineate specific areas of child protection work that are based on Member States’ capacity-building needs and the available expertise of the United Nations system;

7. *Reiterates its request* to the Secretary-General to submit a report to the General Assembly at its seventy-first session on the current collaboration within the United Nations system on child protection, taking into account information provided by Member States and relevant actors of the United Nations, underlines the principle of equitable geographical representation and the broad spectrum of views and practices that exist on child protection systems currently in place in different regions and countries, and encourages Member States and actors of the United Nations to contribute comments and relevant information to the report.

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<sup>3</sup> A/68/253.