

INFORMATION NOTE

2nd Universal Periodic Review of Italy (27 October 2014)

20th session of the UPR – Human Rights Council

Summary of child related issues

Troika: (Ireland, Ethiopia, The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia)

I- Issues pertaining to juvenile justice and the rights of the child in general

1. Issue n°1: Detention

| Delegations | Recommendations | Responses by Italy |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cuba• France• Philippines• Russia• Serbia• Sierra Leone• Thailand• Argentina• Australia | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Improve conditions of migrant detainees• Prevent all kinds of cruel and degrading treatment• Detention of women and children who have not committed any crimes must be stopped• Reform the penitentiary system to fight overcrowding• Fight prison overcrowding• Address Juvenile Justice• Improve living conditions in juvenile detention centres• Strengthen the rights of people deprived of liberty• Address the slow pace of judicial processes and overcrowding of prisons | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• - |

2. Issue n°2 : Refoulement of unaccompanied minors

| Delegations | Recommendations | Responses by Italy |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Denmark • Netherlands • Brazil | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protect unaccompanied minors • Increase protection • Unaccompanied minors need to have the right to individual consideration and access to asylum procedures | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • - |
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3. Issue n°3: Dropout rates of Sinti and Roma children

| Delegations | Recommendations | Responses by Italy |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ghana | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Address the high dropout rates | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working groups were created |

4. Issue n°4: Street children

| Delegations | Recommendations | Responses by Italy |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mexico | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve the situation of Italian children living on the street | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • - |

5. Issue n°5: Integration of refugee children

| Delegations | Recommendations | Responses by Italy |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mexico | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Better integrate refugee children in the university system | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • - |

6. Issue n°6: Adoption of the 3rd OP of the CRC

| Delegations | Recommendations | Responses by Italy |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gabon | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adopt the third OP | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The ratification has been initiated |

7. Issue n°7: Refugee reception system

| Delegations | Recommendations | Responses by Italy |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Norway | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Special importance should be given to minors | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase of the number of offices treating asylum procedures A new protocol for age assessment has been implemented |
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8. Issue n°8: Violence against women and children and child labour

| Delegations | Recommendations | Responses by Italy |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Uzbekistan | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Combat violence against women and children and address issues of child labour | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A campaign has been launched nationwide |

II- Other relevant issues with positive feedbacks by the States present at the review:

- The Dominican Republic welcomed the measures taken against sexual exploitation of children
- Libya welcomed the steps taken for the protection of the rights of the child
- South Sudan welcomed the introduction of house arrest as an alternative measure to detention

III- Adoption of the report : recommendations accepted by Italy