

Country: The Republic of Yemen

**Committee: UNICEF (United Nations International
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Topic: Preventing Child Trafficking in Third World Countries

The issue of child trafficking is an urgent human rights concern that demands international attention. Due to many internal conflicts and political instability, almost all of the countries are affected by and combating child trafficking, including Yemen. As the Republic of Yemen, we struggled with many problems, like poverty, political instability, armed conflicts, and weak law enforcement. These problems have made our vulnerable children more open to trafficking. Numerous children around the world are being exposed to forced labor, sexual exploitation, organ removal, early marriage, and hazardous environments as a consequence of child trafficking, which is a violation of the most basic human rights.

For many years, UNICEF is committed to preventing and reducing child trafficking and its effects on victims internationally. Some of the actions that UNICEF has taken to combat child trafficking include: providing humanitarian aid and protection to children who are migrating; advocating for the implementation and enforcement of national and international laws that prohibit child trafficking and safeguard the rights of the trafficked children; strengthening the capacities of governments and communities to prevent, reporting and assisting trafficked children; and promoting their recuperation and integration into society.

We as the Yemen government have been dealing not only with human trafficking but also with children trafficking for many years now due to our ongoing domestic conflicts and limited control. To address this issue we have already taken many steps, including the adoption of a national action plan to combat human trafficking along with children trafficking in 2014. This plan includes measures to prevent human trafficking, to protect victims, and to prosecute traffickers. Unfortunately, according to the ranking system in the Trafficking in Persons Report, Yemen is mentioned as a Tier 3 country whose governments do not fully comply with the minimum standards and are not making significant efforts to do so. To solve this, we are open to cooperation with partners precisely in the matter of comprehensive legislation, stronger law enforcement, victim support.

In conclusion, over the past years, our country has made significant progress in combating the child trafficking issue, including measures, enforcement, awareness, and international cooperation. We would like to point out that Yemen fully endorses the UN's resolutions on these issues.

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