

Country: Argentina

Agenda Item: Protecting children from bullying and violence (UNICEF)

Argentina is the eighth largest country in the world, located in South America; its neighbors are Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Uruguay and Paraguay. The economy of Argentina is South America's second largest, behind Brazil. The United Nations' Human Development Index ranks Argentina very high. Our population is over 45 million people and 28% of it being children makes bullying and violence a big problem. In order to fix that we need to take action as a country and globally too.

Bullying affects children negatively especially at a young age. The United Nations Children's Fund known as UNICEF is one of the most important organizations. UNICEF's goals are to keep every child safe, help them grow and reach their full potential, no matter where they are from. A part of UNICEF's mission is child protection, which includes fighting against bullying, child labor, child marriage and other forms of violence. UNICEF believes that every child has the right to grow up in safety with love and respect from others. It works with government, teachers, local community, parents and young people. In 2019, UNESCO established the International Day against Violence and Harassment in Schools, including Cyberbullying, which is held on the first Thursday of November. Bullying is when people, mainly kids, repeatedly and intentionally use words or actions against someone or a group of people to cause stress and risk their lives. These actions are usually done by people who have more influence or power over someone else, or who want to make someone else feel less powerful or helpless. Violence on the other hand is something different; violence is the use of physical force to injure, damage or destroy something or to hurt someone.

The Violence and Harassment Convention (C190) was accepted in Argentina on 25 June 2019. We Argentina intend to make C190 global to make sure every child has a safe space to grow and learn, which is why we are determined to make C190 global as quickly as possible. The C190 is the first international treaty to recognize the right of everyone to a world of work free from violence and bullying. Teachers also need to say 'no' to bullying, as kids are our future. Teachers must recognize bullying and violence before it can affect the child. We can make this come true by working together globally.

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