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Agenda Item: Impact of Covid-19 on Children

It is a known fact that Covid-19 had negative effects on every single country in the world. During this chaotic period we all have experienced unfortunate situations such as health issues, education problems, issues regarding our social life and economy. It must be stated that although adults were able tolerate these problems more quickly and easily, children were not capable of coping with such unexpected circumstances. Even though we have been experiencing the period for three years now, we still witness the traumatic effects of the pandemic on children.

The restrictions on individual movements, lockdowns and confinement measures and the closure of education institutions had severe impacts on children’s daily lives and routine, their friendship and social relations, and ultimately on their mental well-being.

Lots of Algerian children could not reach internet resources; online education was not possible for some of them. Children have been struggling mentally and emotionally during the confinement. They could not go out and socialize with their friends, therefore tensions increased within the household and family. This caused domestic violence between children and parents. Parents were also stressful because of the financial impacts of Covid-19. Also, people could not access to essential health services because of the fear of getting infected.

Rich countries and foundations/social organizations such as UNICEF must support children in poor countries.

Creating better conditions for children will make the world a better place.