

- All States must create an enabling environment for the reintegration of former refugees, especially the most vulnerable groups such as orphans, child soldiers, children separated from their families, into communities and families of origin by, for instance, supporting the families in difficulty with basic services.

WE RECOGNIZE AND APPRECIATE the priority given to the issue of children affected by armed conflicts as demonstrated by the adoption of new important instruments and by the great number of meetings held at international, regional and national levels;

In light of these positive steps and in consideration of our recommendations resulting from two-and-a-half days of work, we would like to ask you, Honourable Ministers of West African Governments and representatives of the international community, a few questions that you may wish to take into account during your meeting:

- What are the actions that you plan to undertake in order to translate these commitments into real promotion and protection of our rights?
- How do you plan to carry out these actions?
- What support is the international community willing to offer?
- What resources (human, material and financial) are our States and the International Community ready and willing to make available?
- What will be, and who will ensure, the follow-up to this important meeting, and the implementation of recommendations resulting from your efforts and ours?

We would like to conclude by thanking UNICEF and the Canadian and Ghanaian governments and the children and people of Ghana for the support that made it possible for us to come to this country and share important experiences.

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