

	recognized by the community." Art. 24 (1) ICCPR guarantees that: "Every child, without any discrimination as to race, colour, sex, language, religion, national or social origin, property or birth, the right to such measures of protection as are required by his status as a minor, on the part of his family, society or the State." Art. 7 (1) CRC states inter alia that the child, "as far as possible, has the right to know and be cared for by his or her parents". Art. 9 CRC provides inter alia: (1) States Parties shall ensure that a child is not separated from his or her parents against their will, except where competent authorities subject to judicial review determine in accordance with applicable law and procedures, that such separation is necessary in the best interests of the child. ... (2) Where such separation results from any action initiated by a State party, such as the detention, imprisonment, exile, deportation or death (including death arising from any cause while the person is in the custody of the State) of one or both parents or of the child, that State Party shall, upon request, provide the parents, the child or, if appropriate, another member of the family with the essential information concerning the whereabouts of the absent member(s) of the family unless the provision of the information would be detrimental to the well-being of the child. ..."	
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