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Organization's mandate/goals:

UNICEF is mandated by the United Nations General Assembly to work exclusively for realization of children's rights as set forth in the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC). UNICEF works with government and non-government partners to provide community based services in primary health care, nutrition, basic education and safe water and sanitation.

Areas of expertise relevant to 2001 UN Conference on Small Arms:

Human and Social Development-- Eradicating poverty

UNICEF works with all its partners towards the attainment of the sustainable human development goals adopted by the world community and the realization of the vision of peace and social progress enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations.

Working with Vulnerable Groups -- Promoting general child welfare

UNICEF responds in emergencies to protect the rights of children. In coordination with United Nations partners and humanitarian agencies, UNICEF makes its unique facilities for rapid response available to its partners to relieve the suffering of children and those who provide their care.