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COMMITTEE ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD

The Committee on the Rights of the Child (Fact Sheet No. 10, Rev.1) is composed of 10 experts who are nominated and elected to a term of four years by states parties. Members may be re-elected. The Committee meets three times each year (January, May, September). States parties must submit their initial report within two years of ratification or accession and thereafter every five years. The Committee seeks close cooperation not only with relevant UN bodies and agencies but also others, including non-governmental organizations. In January 1993 the Committee initiated a procedure under which general discussions may be held on a specific theme or question. Since then, discussions have been held on the issues of the protection of children in armed conflicts, the economic exploitation of children, the rights of the child in the family context, the rights of girls, juvenile justice, and children living in a world with HIV/AIDS.

The Committee's discussions with states parties are normally open to the public and the Committee encourages governments to make the national reporting procedure open and transparent. The Committee's reporting guidelines for states emphasize concrete implementation measures to make a reality of the principles and provisions of the Convention.

The provisional schedule of state reports to be considered by the Committee is:

January 1999

Austria	Initial report	CRC/C/11/Add.14
Barbados	Initial report	CRC/C/3/Add.45
Belize	Initial report	CRC/C/3/Add.46
Guinea	Initial report	CRC/C/3/Add.48
Sweden	2nd periodic report	CRC/C/65/Add.3
Yemen	2nd periodic report	CRC/C/70/Add.1