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CHILD CONSULTATIONS ON

how to better protect children in armed conflicts

Hi!

Hello from the United Nations Human Rights Office!

We are working on a special **report** about how children's rights are affected in places where there's fighting or war. The report will give advice to governments on how they can do a better job of protecting children and making sure their needs are put first. It's important that children, like you, can contribute to the report with your thoughts and ideas. We want to **make sure that your voices are heard** because they are very important to help us protect children better and make sure **your rights are respected!**

How can you participate and share your views?

Consultations with children about this report is organised in many different places around the world and probably you are reading this information sheet because you are interested to take part in one. The consultation will be more like a discussion led by an adult who is helping you to go through the main questions of the report. After the consultation, they will prepare a report - you can also help with that - which will be sent to the UN Human Rights Office.

What will be the questions at the consultation?

What are the biggest ways war harms children's rights, both now and in the future?

Exploring the problems

Looking at current protections

How well are programs keeping children safe and helping those who've been hurt? **What's** working and what needs fixing?



What makes it so difficult for children to stay safe and be cared for during a war?

Barriers to protecting children

Making things better

How can children recover from war? What care and support do they need?



What will happen after?

The official report and a summary in child-friendly format will be sent to the partners who organised child consultations but you can also regularly check the website of the UN Human Rights Office for news.

