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Meeting Report

38th meeting

Venue: Strasbourg and KUDO platform

30 May – 2 June 2023

Prepared by the Secretariat of the Lanzarote Committee

The Committee of the Parties (hereinafter referred to as "the Lanzarote Committee" or "the Committee") to the Council of Europe Convention on the Protection of Children against Sexual Exploitation and Sexual Abuse (hereinafter referred to as "the Lanzarote Convention" or "the Convention") held its 38th meeting at the Council of Europe in Strasbourg and on the KUDO platform on 30 May – 2 June 2023. The agenda and the list of participants are appended (Appendices I-II) to this meeting report.

1. Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda

1. Ms CASTELLO-BRANCO (Chairperson, Portugal) opened the meeting. The Committee adopted its agenda.

2. Increased vulnerability of children to sexual abuse and sexual exploitation as a consequence of the war in Ukraine

2.1. Update on discussions in the Lanzarote Committee Bureau to follow up on Ukraine's request to monitor the situation of the children of Ukraine in the context of the Russian Federation's continued aggression against Ukraine

2. Ms SCAPPUCCI (Executive Secretary to the Lanzarote Committee) recalled that at the Committee's 37th meeting the Bureau was entrusted to "*seek clarification and consider the proposal by Ms ILCHUK (Ukraine) to carry out an urgent monitoring of the protection of Ukrainian children against sexual exploitation and sexual abuse in Parties to the Lanzarote Convention as a consequence of the war*" (decision 4). In March 2023, ahead of the Bureau's meeting, Ms CASTELLO BRANCO (Portugal) suggested asking all Parties to the Convention to reply to six YES/NO questions to assess the issue of lack of reliable data rather than embarking straight away on a fully fledged urgent monitoring round.

3. The Bureau considered all options also in light of a draft declaration prepared by the CDENF for consideration at the 4th Council of Europe Summit (Reykjavik, May 2023) which was presented to it by the Secretariat. In particular the bureau was also informed of the possible decision to set up a consultation body tasked with gathering information on the situation of Ukrainian children in the member States of the Council of Europe ("the Consultation Group on Children of Ukraine" or "CGU"- see below point 2.2.1.). The Bureau also considered that the Committee had recently concluded its examination of Parties' compliance with the findings of its Special report, whereby it collected information on the measures in place to protect refugee children against sexual abuse and sexual exploitation, and concluded that it was premature to ask all Parties to reply to very similar questions again. It instead considered that it could address specific questions on the deported Ukrainian children to the Russian Federation taking into account that the Committee is one of the few monitoring bodies of the Council of Europe where the Russian Federation is a member (see below point 2.2.2.).

2.2. Information about the 4th Council of Europe Summit decisions concerning the situation of the children of Ukraine in the context of the Russian Federation's continued aggression against Ukraine

2.2.1. Presentation of the Declaration on the situation of the children of Ukraine (see Appendix II of the Reykjavík Declaration "United around our values", 4th Council of Europe Summit)

4. Ms GUIDIKOVA (Head of Children's Rights and Sport Values Department, Council of Europe) presented the Declaration to the Committee, which expressly recognised the need to protect the internally and externally displaced Ukrainian children from, *inter alia*, sexual violence wherever they are. She also informed the Committee that the Declaration calls on the Council of Europe to facilitate co-operation between States, the European Union and relevant international organisations, through an appropriate mechanism, in order to:

- exchange information on legal and policy frameworks regarding the situation, status and needs of children from Ukraine residing in its member States;
- advise on the reform of the Ukrainian child protection and care system;
- facilitate the sharing of relevant information, including information from the Network of Focal Points on Migration and, as far as possible, the co-ordination of measures taken with regard to the best interests of the children of Ukraine.

5. Ms GUIDIKOVA informed the Committee that on the basis of the above call it was decided to set up a Consultation Group on Children of Ukraine ("CGU") mandated to fulfil the above-mentioned roles.

6. Mr SCHOKKENBROEK (Director, Directorate of Anti-discrimination) recalled that the Declaration confirmed the strong political will of the member States to protect the children of Ukraine wherever they were. He recalled that the Lanzarote Committee's mandate was complementary to the role of the CGU and that it would be important for the Committee to interact and liaise with the CGU regarding children present in the member States of the Council of Europe. It was proposed that the Committee appoint a representative to closely follow the work of the CGU and co-ordinate the input of the Committee to that work.

7. The Committee requested the Secretariat to keep it informed of the progress made in the setting up the CGU, with a view to possibly appointing a representative to follow developments and participate in its work.

2.2.2. Consideration of possible questions to be addressed to the Russian Federation in accordance with Rule 28 of the Lanzarote Committee's Rules of Procedure

8. Ms SCAPPUCCI presented the questions as they appeared in document T-ES(2023)06. During the discussions strong emphasis was placed on the need to act in the best interests of the children concerned and it was decided to include a specific question on unaccompanied and separated children in question 1b. Following a careful examination of each question and after having agreed on some further modifications, the Committee adopted the questions as they appear in Appendix 1 to its list of decisions and decided to address them to the Russian Federation as soon as possible, under Rule 28 of the Rules of Procedure.

3. Monitoring of the implementation of the Lanzarote Convention

3.1. "Protection of children against sexual abuse in the circle of trust": consideration, in view of its adoption, of the draft thematic questionnaire concerning the legal frameworks (see document T-ES(2023)05)

9. Ms SCAPPUCCI presented the draft questionnaire as prepared by the Secretariat for discussion and consideration by the Committee. The Committee discussed several amendments to the text of the questions, notably to replace the words "circle of trust" in all but the first question with the wording "by a person in a recognised position of trust, authority or influence" and reformulated several compound questions. The Committee decided to use a colour-coded system in the questionnaire to render the origin of the questions more visible.

10. The Committee adopted the questionnaire as amended and agreed that the replies would be submitted within three months after officially receiving the final questionnaire, both in the electronic and Word format.

3.2. Update on the factsheets developed on the basis of the Lanzarote Committee's implementation report "The protection of children against sexual exploitation and sexual abuse facilitated by information and communication technologies (ICT): addressing the challenges raised by child self-generated sexual images and/or videos"

11. Ms LABBADI (Assistant Lawyer, Secretariat of the Lanzarote Committee) updated on progress made in preparing the factsheets to raise awareness, in a user-friendly way, of the findings, recommendations, and promising practices outlined in the Committee's implementation report on the protection of children against sexual exploitation and sexual abuse facilitated by information and communication technologies (ICTs). The Committee was informed that a "Key findings" factsheet has been published, and that thematic factsheets on each chapter of the report, and country factsheets for each of the 43 State Parties which were monitored in this context had been developed for publication. She recalled that the country factsheets had been sent to Committee members before the meeting and would be made publicly available on the Committee's website.

4. Exchange of information, experiences and good practices

4.1. Debriefing of the capacity building seminars of 31 May and exchange on possible follow-up work by the Lanzarote Committee on statutes of limitations in respect of sexual offences against children and the legal age for sexual activities in light of the seminar's conclusions

12. Ms CASTELLO-BRANCO welcomed the richness and diversity of the presentations and discussions which had taken place during the Committee's capacity-building seminars of 31 May. She invited the Committee's members, participants and observers to share their views on the Committee's possible future action regarding statutes of limitations in respect of sexual offences against children and the legal age for sexual activities, as two key aspects in the fight for the protection of children against sexual exploitation and sexual abuse.

13. As regards statutes of limitations, Mr McVARISH (The Brave Movement) encouraged the Committee to adopt an opinion or other instrument calling for the abolition of statutes of limitations in respect of sexual offences against children. Ms BEWERSDORFF (Germany) expressed the opinion that another solution should be found which does not involve the complete abolition of the statutes of limitations. Ms LOVŠIN (Slovenia) agreed and called for a solution balancing the legal and policy perspectives. Mr MAGNÚSSON (Iceland) shared the opinions of the Committee members who had previously spoken and proposed that the Secretariat prepare a concept note ("white paper") summarising the information received during the seminar, the existing scenarios and challenges, and possible solutions. Ms MARFURT (Switzerland) supported the opinions previously expressed by Ms BEWERSDORFF and Ms LOVŠIN, expressing the need for a more profound reflection on the subject matter before making any decisions. Mr OLIVIER (France) proposed that after reception of comprehensive information from the Secretariat, a discussion of solutions not involving the complete abolition of the statutes of limitations be pursued. Mr KOVACHEV (Bulgaria) suggested looking at the issue from the perspective of a child and proposed to involve children in order to gain a better understanding of the subject matter. Ms DE CRAIM (Belgium) recalled that any resulting text should state what is in the best interest of the child.

14. Ms SCAPPUCCI listed the various formats in which the Committee could express its opinion, including a regular opinion, an interpretative opinion, declarations and statements, a guidance note, general comments and recommendations, or guidelines, and proposed that the Secretariat prepare a concept note to describe these options in more detail. She recalled that a guidance note is adopted by Parties to put in writing their understanding of how a specific provision should be implemented. A guidance note could clarify the meaning of Article 33 of the Convention, indicate the expectations of survivors, and present the legal scenarios that are compatible and incompatible with Article 33 of the Convention (for which more information would need to be gathered). Mr NIKOLAIDIS (Greece) agreed that more information from the Parties could be collected and called for the elaboration of the principles applicable to the implementation of Article 33 of the Convention as opposed to advocating for one specific solution. He also proposed a reflection on policy measures capable of improving the implementation of that provision. Ms CROCKER (ECPAT International, Head of Child Protection and Technology) stated that whatever decision the Committee eventually takes should be based on the best interests of the child. She underlined that while the general position of ECPAT International is that statutes of limitations should be abolished, the first priority is to ensure access to justice. Ms BOROVČANIN (Bosnia and Herzegovina) requested the Brave Movement to provide information on how different legal systems affect victims, to which Mr McVARISH agreed.

15. As a result of the above exchange, the Committee:

- agreed to collect more information from specific Parties to allow it to examine compliance of the existing legal frameworks with Article 33 of the Convention;
- entrusted the Secretariat to prepare a concept note outlining the potential structure of a future guidance note or other similar document which would clarify the meaning of Article 33, present the different legal scenarios considered to be in conformity with that provision, highlight promising practices based on the best interest of the child and set out possible policy measures to promote the implementation of Article 33; and

- agreed to consider, in the context of the above possible guidance note, information that the Brave Movement offered to submit on the impact on victims of any limitation on prosecuting sexual offences against them.

16. As regards the legal age for sexual activities, Ms BEWERSDORFF (Germany) emphasised the challenges that could arise if the legal age thresholds were to be harmonised, both for sexual activities in general, and for age difference clauses in particular. Ms PAMPALK-LORBEER (Austria) and Ms LOVŠIN (Slovenia) also stressed the importance of not setting a rigid common age across all State Parties. Mr OLIVIER (France) agreed and emphasised the need to involve specialists in neuroscience, medicine, and psychological and psychiatric fields before establishing binding rules on the subject. Ms MATYSEK (Poland) also inquired about the possibility of conducting scientific and medical research to support the Committee's work on this matter. Mr NIKOLAIDIS (Greece) emphasised that age thresholds should not be seen as fixed biological milestones since they vary over time depending on the context. Ms LABBADI recalled that the objective is not to determine a universal legal age for sexual activities, as States Parties maintain significant differences in this regard. But rather to ensure that specific safeguards are upheld when determining such an age threshold. These safeguards may include, among other things, preventing children from being able to marry below the legal age for sexual activities and ensuring that the threshold is consistent throughout the entire territory of a State Party and does not depend on the type of sexual activity.

17. Following this exchange of views, the Committee agreed to consider possible follow-up regarding the legal age for sexual activities at its 39th plenary meeting in September 2023. The Committee entrusted the Secretariat to prepare a document to explore the various possibilities for the way forward, including further actions the Committee may take, the format they might take, and the substantive safeguards necessary to enhance the protection of children from sexual exploitation and sexual abuse.

18. The Committee was informed that the two comparative studies on the statutes of limitations in respect of sexual offences against children and the legal age for sexual activities presented during the 31 May seminar would be made public.

4.2. Information by members, participants and observers on changes in national policy, legislation, institutional arrangements, practice and/or presentation of relevant activities

4.2.1. Presentation of the UK Online Safety Bill

19. Ms CASTELLO-BRANCO informed the Committee that the Lanzarote Committee member for the UK was unavailable to present the UK Online Safety Bill. She drew the Committee's attention to the fact that information concerning the Bill was available in the shared space and invited the Committee to contact the Secretariat (lanzarote.committee@coe.int) if they wished to request further information from the UK.

4.2.2. Presentations by INHOPE (International Association of Internet Hotlines)

– The Universal Classification Schema – Harmonising terminology for child exploitative material

20. Ms ROBERTS (Project Manager, INHOPE) presented INHOPE's Universal Classification Schema for the classification of child sexual exploitation and abuse material (CSAM). The long-term goal of this schema is to enhance the detection and prompt removal of CSAM by overcoming national legislative differences and data-sharing barriers across jurisdictions regarding CSAM. It comprises four main sections: categorisation (to determine the severity of illegal content), investigative (for investigative or assessment purpose), demographic (for machine learning), and a glossary. This schema was developed by and for international experts specialising in content assessment and classification, including hotline analysts, law enforcement representatives, child protection officers, and technology industry professionals. Over the years, it will be refined through modifications and input from operational users. Stakeholders interested in contributing to the development of training material and annotation efforts or seeking more information about the schema were encouraged to contact globalstandard@inhope.org.

– The next generation of online safety - Metaverse

21. Ms STACIWA (Independent Expert, Department for Reacting to Illegal Content on the Internet Dyżurnet.pl) presented her research paper on the challenges raised by the Metaverse for the protection of children against online sexual exploitation and sexual abuse. In this context, she informed the Committee about recent developments in Metaverse technologies and the potential risks that these technologies could facilitate access to and interaction with children by potential sex offenders. She informed the Committee that there is a lack of research on these risks and that more research is needed into whether legislation is adequate to address the risks arising from these evolving technologies. Other potential problems highlighted include difficulties for law enforcement to access and secure evidence in these technologies, lack of effective age verification mechanisms, and lack of moderation of conversations which make it difficult to detect grooming. She informed the Committee that there was a potential for these technologies to become decentralised and that darknet versions could emerge, which would increase the challenges for moderation and safeguarding children. The Committee discussed the likelihood that vulnerable children may seek to escape reality by using these platforms, exposing them to increased risks of grooming and abuse. The Committee also discussed potential approaches to regulate virtual reality representations of a child (including avatars) and the need for risk assessments in this context. Potential solutions could include requiring service providers to assess risks and implement effective age verification.

22. The Committee agreed to organise an in-depth exchange of information at a forthcoming meeting on the challenges raised by the Metaverse for the protection of children against sexual exploitation and sexual abuse.

4.2.3. Presentation of the outcomes of the 2nd Experts' workshop exploring the technology dimensions of the proposal for an EU Regulation laying down rules to prevent and combat child sexual abuse

23. Ms CROCKER presented the outcomes of the 2nd Experts' workshop exploring the technology dimensions of the proposal for an EU Regulation laying down rules to prevent and combat child sexual abuse. Ms CROCKER informed the Committee that the less intrusive measures for removing CSAM explored during the workshop were included in the recommendations for the purposes of consensus-building, but that ECPAT is not in favour of reducing the scope of the Regulation as regards end-to-end encryption or types of CSAM to be covered. The Committee held an exchange following this presentation. Mr MAGNÚSSON (Iceland) informed the Committee about the 2021 IEEE (Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers) Standard on age-appropriate user services framework which was co-designed with children and aims to set out best practices for developing digital services. Ms STACIWA underlined that currently there is no international regulation of CSAM in the form of audio and text and stressed that the Regulation should include these forms of technology to bridge the gap.

24. The Committee agreed to continue exchanging information on the progress of the proposal for an EU Regulation to prevent and combat child sexual abuse and requested to be informed of the outcome results of other multisectoral workshops focusing on aspects relevant to its mandate.

4.2.4. Presentation of the outcomes of the independent study to evaluate EU Directive 2011/93 and update on the next steps concerning the review of this directive

25. Ms CASSAR (Directorate General for Migration and Home Affairs, European Commission) presented the outcomes of the independent study to evaluate EU Directive 2011/93 and an update on the next steps concerning the review of this directive. She informed the Committee that the European Commission was planning to develop a very targeted recast of the Directive to address the shortcomings identified. The recast would update the definitions of offences and the terminology and would criminalise "paedophile manuals". It would also address the rules related to statutes of limitations and strengthen the screening of professionals by placing the respective obligation on the employers. The recast would also strengthen the obligations on Member States to collect and monitor data and to implement prevention programmes. This is planned to be adopted by the end of 2023. The Victims Directive 2012/29 is also under review. Provisions to strengthen victims' rights may be included either in the recast Directive 2011/93 or in the revised Victims Directive.

26. The Committee agreed to continue exchanging information on the progress of the proposed reform of EU Directive 2011/93 and requested to be informed of the next steps concerning the review of this and other relevant Directives.

4.2.5. Presentation of the WeProtect Global Alliance 2023-2027 Strategy, recent research projects' findings and a debriefing of the first meeting of its recently established Global Taskforce on Child Sexual Abuse Online

27. Ms LINSELL (Advocacy Manager, WeProtect Global Alliance) presented the WeProtect Global Alliance 2023-2027 Strategy and informed the Committee about recent research findings on self-generated content and experiences of online sexual harms. She also informed the Committee about the progress made in the context of the Global Taskforce on Child Sexual Abuse Online which was established in October 2022 and will meet twice a year to enhance the global strategic response to online child sexual exploitation and abuse.

28. The Committee agreed to continue its exchange of information on the work of the Global Taskforce on Child Sexual Abuse Online of the We Protect Global Alliance and welcomed the Council of Europe's possible official involvement in this work.

4.3. Debriefings by Lanzarote Committee members having participated in outside events and in meetings of Council of Europe bodies on the Lanzarote Committee's behalf:

4.3.1. Steering Committee for the rights of the child (CDENF)

29. Mr NIKOLAIDIS (Greece) informed the Committee of the main outcomes of the 7th plenary meeting of the Steering Committee for the Rights of the Child (CDENF) held on 28-29 March 2023 in Reykjavik, Iceland. The CDENF discussed the progress in the implementation of the CoE Strategy for the Rights of the Child (2022-2027); approved a draft Recommendation containing Guidelines on strengthening reporting systems on violence against children and adopted its draft Explanatory Memorandum; and approved a draft Declaration on the situation of children of Ukraine affected by the Russian Federation's continued aggression against Ukraine. The CDENF was also informed of the finalisation of a mapping study on the implementation and development of Barnahus structures in Europe. The CDENF also took note of a first outline of a mapping study on children's access to quality mental health care and approved the draft questionnaire to gather relevant information from member States. The CDENF was de-briefed about the Parliamentary Assembly's report and recommendation on deportations and forcible transfers of Ukrainian children and other civilians to the Russian Federation. On 30 March 2023, the CDENF members participated in a High-Level Conference on "Investing in Children – the Key to Prosperity" organised under the Icelandic Presidency of the Committee of Ministers.

4.3.2. Committee of Experts on the rights and the best interests of the child in parental separation and in care proceedings (CJ/ENF-ISE)

30. Mr NIKOLAIDIS (Greece) updated the Committee on the progress achieved by CJ/ENF-ISE, which had last met in March 2023. He recalled that two separate recommendations would be prepared. The draft recommendation on the protection of the rights and best interests of the child in parental separation had progressed well, a draft had been circulated for comments. The draft recommendation on the rights and best interests of the child in care proceedings was still in preliminary stages, several issues to be covered by the instrument had been identified. The next meeting was scheduled for 4-6 October 2023.

4.3.3. Committee of Experts on the prevention of violence (ENF-VAE)

31. Mr NIKOLAIDIS (Greece) informed the Committee that the members of the Committee of Experts on the prevention of violence (ENF-VAE) which had previously existed as a Working group on responses to violence against children (CDENF-GT-VAE) had been reappointed to the new Committee of Experts and that the chair and vice-chair had also been re-elected. He informed the Committee that the ENF-VAE held its first meeting in May 2023 and would focus on age-appropriate comprehensive sexuality education for, *inter alia*, preventing and combating violence against children, including sexual violence and harmful behaviour.

4.3.4. Group of Experts on Action against Violence against Women and Domestic Violence (GREVIO)

32. Ms CASTELLO-BRANCO informed the Committee that she intervened online in GREVIO's 29th meeting to present the Lanzarote Committee's work on the legal age for sexual activities ahead of the 31 May seminar to which the Istanbul Convention Committee of the Parties and GREVIO were invited. She also informed GREVIO about the Lanzarote Committee's recent monitoring round findings concerning the challenges arising from the digital environment, in particular those raised by child self-generated sexual images and videos. Finally, she also pointed out that the Lanzarote Committee was returning to its first monitoring round theme (the protection of children against sexual abuse in the circle of trust) with a focused questionnaire on the legislative frameworks.

4.3.5. Participation in the fact-finding visit carried out by the Special Representative of the Secretary General on Migration and Refugees to Hungary

33. Ms CASTELLO-BRANCO informed the Committee that she had accompanied Ms KAYACIK, Special Representative of the Secretary General on Migration and Refugees, on a fact-finding mission to Hungary regarding the situation of persons in vulnerable situations who continue to flee Ukraine. The visit aimed to explore possibilities for the Council of Europe to provide support and expertise to the authorities, in the framework of the Action Plan on Protecting Vulnerable Persons in the Context of Migration and Asylum in Europe (2021-2025).

4.4. Debriefings by Lanzarote Committee representatives or its Secretariat having participated in outside events

4.4.1. Conference on "National Emergency Response Mechanism for the protection of unaccompanied children in precarious living conditions (NERM): from needs assessment to response", 7 March 2023, Athens

34. Ms GUERREIRO (Policy Advisor, Secretariat of the Lanzarote Committee) informed the Committee that the Secretariat had participated in a national conference held in Greece in March 2023 on the "National Emergency Response Mechanism for the protection of unaccompanied children in precarious living conditions (NERM): from needs assessment to response". The event was organised by the Special Secretariat for the Protection of Unaccompanied Minors in Greece (SSPUAM), the UNHCR Representation in Greece and the Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences.

4.4.2. Launching event "Protecting human rights, rule of law and democracy through shared standards in the Southern Mediterranean" (South Programme V), 13-14 March 2023, Lisbon

35. Ms CASTELLO-BRANCO debriefed the Committee on the event which officially launched the fifth phase of this joint European Union-Council of Europe programme. The new phase of the regional programme will be co-ordinated by the Council of Europe Office in Tunisia and aims to continue supporting democratic reforms in nine States in the Southern Mediterranean region (Algeria, Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Palestine* and Tunisia) through the establishment of a common legal space between Europe and this region. The fifth phase will focus on:

- aligning national legislations with international standards through accession to Council of Europe conventions and provision of targeted legal advice with the Quick Response Mechanism (QRM);
- strengthening capacities to address global challenges through the development and use of common tools, strategies, and mechanisms in the region; and
- reinforcing co-operation and dialogue on human rights, rule of law and democracy through strengthened co-operation and peer-to-peer networking at the regional level.

4.4.3. INHOPE Hotline Training Meeting, 26-27 April 2023, Malta

36. Ms LABBADI debriefed the Committee on the bi-annual INHOPE Hotline Training Meeting held in Malta on 26 and 27 April 2023 where she presented the Council of Europe's and the Committee's work on reporting sexual violence against children, including online. The meeting sought to address the specific needs of the hotlines and helplines involved in the INHOPE network to detect, report and remove online child sexual abuse material (CSAM), as well as new trends in the fight against online sexual exploitation and sexual abuse of children. It featured in-depth presentations, including on the heightened risks of sexual abuse and exploitation of children in the Metaverse, financial trends related to the exchange of CSAM, practical methods for investigating cryptocurrency payments that may facilitate the coercion of children, and accessibility of internet helplines and hotlines for children with disabilities and vulnerable children seeking to report sexual violence online.

4.5. Presentation of the new Council of Europe Police Network

37. Mr ROLLAND (Programme Advisor on Police Matters, Information Society and Action against Crime Directorate, Council of Europe) presented the new Council of Europe Network of national police correspondents. The network was launched at a conference "Policing in the digital age: how new technologies can help to better police our modern societies" held in Strasbourg on 28 and 29 June 2022. He explained that the network will strengthen the protection and promotion of European human rights standards within detention centres and police activities. This includes preventing and investigating cases of ill-treatment, improving procedural safeguards, providing ongoing training of police officers, promoting the proportionate use of force, crowd management, and safeguarding the rights of victims. One of the network's objectives is to enhance the Council of Europe's understanding of police

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services and facilitate knowledge-sharing among its members. This includes encouraging the exchange of experiences related to fundamental values of human rights, democracy, and the rule of law, as well as combating various forms of crime. Additionally, the network aims to foster the sharing of best practices and innovative techniques and to support the implementation of the existing police standards. Mr ROLLAND also presented the network's first annual international conference on the use of force in the context of police activities (25-26 May 2023).

4.6. Information about the 2023 edition of the European Day on the Protection of Children against Sexual Exploitation and Sexual Abuse

38. Ms TREWINNARD (Legal Advisor, Secretariat of the Lanzarote Committee) informed the Committee that the 2023 edition of the European Day for the Protection of Children against Sexual Exploitation and Sexual Abuse will focus on learning from survivors of childhood sexual violence to inspire policy change. Communication tools and more details of the activities planned for the Day will be made available to the Committee at the next meeting.

5. "Country Overview – State of play in light of the Lanzarote Convention"

5.1. Progress with the joint Council of Europe/ECPAT International pilot project

5.1.1. Debriefing of the Country Overview launch events in Finland and the Republic of Moldova

39. Ms GUERREIRO recalled that the Secretariat had been collaborating with ECPAT International to prepare three country overviews for Finland, Italy and the Republic of Moldova. She informed the Committee that the overviews for Finland and the Republic of Moldova had been finalised and published in English, Finnish and Romanian, respectively. The country overviews for Finland and the Republic of Moldova were launched in March and May 2023 respectively. The launch events were organised in close collaboration between the national authorities, the Lanzarote Committee Secretariat and ECPAT International. The overview for Italy was still under preparation.

5.1.2. Consideration of the possible development of a Country Overview for each Party to the Lanzarote Convention

40. Ms GUERREIRO shared the main lessons learned in this process. She emphasised that the pilot has showed that the preparation of the Country Overviews requires dedicated staff and financial resources and informed the Committee that the Secretariat was trying to seek funding from donors to expand this work, and it has also prepared a project proposal to facilitate receipt of voluntary contributions to implement further overviews.

41. The Committee invited Parties interested in being the next countries to be involved in the preparation of Country Overviews to inform the Secretariat (lanzarote.committee@coe.int).

6. Procedural matters

6.1. Election of one Lanzarote Committee Bureau member due to the departure for change in duties of Ms DOURTHE (France)

42. The Committee elected Ms Anna DOSZPOTH (Hungary) by acclamation as a member of the Bureau to replace Ms DOURTHE (France) who had left the Committee due to a change of duties.

6.2. Strengthening the effectiveness of the monitoring mechanism and procedure in the short or medium term

43. Ms CASTELLO-BRANCO recalled that this is a permanent item on the agenda to promote and strengthen the effectiveness of the Convention monitoring mechanism and procedure.

44. Ms GUERREIRO informed the Committee that the Secretariat is working on a concept to facilitate child participation in the current monitoring round. The Secretariat will keep the Committee informed of progress in this respect at its next meeting.

6.3. Adoption of the list of decisions of this meeting

45. At the end of the meeting, the Lanzarote Committee adopted the list of decisions by consensus.

7. Any other business

46. The Committee viewed a new video on Barnahus, which was launched by the Council of Europe on the occasion of International Children's Day. The video promotes the Barnahus as the leading European child-friendly and multidisciplinary response model for child victims or witnesses of violence, including sexual violence. The video walks the audience through the Icelandic Barnahus with child actors explaining its functioning and the way it helps children to get the protection they need and are entitled to.

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47. The Lanzarote Committee noted that its next meetings are scheduled as follows:

- 39th meeting, 26 – 28 September 2023 (Strasbourg/hybrid);
- 40th meeting, 28 – 30 November 2023 (Strasbourg/hybrid).

Appendix I

Agenda

The 38th meeting of the Lanzarote Committee will include a full day, Wednesday 31 May 2023, dedicated to capacity building (see separate programme) to discuss approaches to the statutes of limitations and the legal age for sexual activities.

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- The next generation of online safety - Metaverse

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4.2.4. Presentation of the outcomes of the independent study to evaluate EU Directive 2011/93 and up-date on the next steps concerning the review of this directive

4.2.5. Presentation of the WeProtect Global Alliance 2023-2027 Strategy, recent research projects' findings and a debriefing of the first meeting of its recently established Global Taskforce on Child Sexual Abuse Online

4.3. Debriefings by Lanzarote Committee members having participated in meetings of Council of Europe bodies on the Lanzarote Committee's behalf

4.3.1. Steering Committee for the Rights of the Child (CDENF)

4.3.2. Committee of Experts on the rights and the best interests of the child in parental separation and in care proceedings (CJ/ENF-ISE)

4.3.3. Working Group on responses to violence against children (CDENF-GT-VAE)

4.3.4. Group of Experts on Action against Violence against Women and Domestic Violence (GREVIO)

4.3.5. Participation in the fact-finding visit carried out by the Special Representative of the Secretary General on Migration and Refugees to Hungary

4.4. Debriefings by Lanzarote Committee representatives or its Secretariat having participated in outside events

4.4.1. Conference on "National Emergency Response Mechanism for the protection of unaccompanied children in precarious living conditions (NERM): from needs assessment to response", 7 March, Athens

4.4.2. Launching event on "Protecting human rights, rule of law and democracy through shared standards in the Southern Mediterranean" (South Programme V), 13-14 March, Lisbon

4.4.3. INHOPE Hotline Training Meeting, 26-27 April, Malta

4.5. Presentation of the new Council of Europe Police Network

4.6. Information about the 2023 edition of the European Day on the Protection of Children against Sexual Exploitation and Sexual Abuse

5. "Country Overview - State of play in light of the Lanzarote Convention"

5.1. Progress with the joint Council of Europe/ECPAT International pilot project
- 5.1.1. Debriefing of the Country Overview launch events in Finland and the Republic of Moldova
- 5.1.2. Update on the situation with the Country Overview for Italy

5.2. Consideration of the possible development of a Country Overview for each Party to the Lanzarote Convention

6. Procedural matters

6.1. Election of one Lanzarote Committee Bureau member due to the departure for change in duties of Ms DOURTHE (France)

6.2. Strengthening the effectiveness of the monitoring mechanism and procedure in the short or medium term: state of play on the follow-up given to suggestions put forward by civil society organisations to strengthen cooperation with the Lanzarote Committee

6.3. Adoption of the list of decisions of this meeting

7. Any other business

Appendix II

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