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LANZAROTE COMMITTEE

Committee of the Parties to the Council of Europe
Convention on the protection of children against sexual
exploitation and sexual abuse

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Meeting report

40th meeting

Venue: Strasbourg and ZOOM platform

28-30 November 2023

Prepared by the Secretariat of the Lanzarote Committee

1. 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 40th meeting at the Council of Europe in Strasbourg and on ZOOM on 28-30 November 2023. The agenda and the list of participants are appended (Appendices I and II) to this meeting report.

1. Opening of the meeting, adoption of the agenda and report of the 39th meeting

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

2. Monitoring of the implementation of the Lanzarote Convention

2.1. Up-date on States’ replies received to the new questionnaire “Protection of children against sexual abuse in the circle of trust: the legal frameworks”

3. Ms SCAPPUCCI (Executive Secretary to the Committee) informed that 41 Parties replied to the thematic questionnaire on legal frameworks received in June 2023. She highlighted that the 7 Parties¹ that had not yet replied should do so as soon as possible as the analysis of replies and additional information that might still be received from civil society organisations and similar bodies was scheduled to start during the next meeting (13-15 February 2024). Appendix III of this report reproduces the breakdown of the planned analysis for each question of the legal frameworks’ evaluation. It was recalled that volunteer Rapporteurs for the questions to be examined at the Committee’s 42nd and 43rd meetings (respectively in June and November 2024) should inform the Secretariat at lanzarote.committee@coe.int of the question(s) they would like to work on.

4. During the current meeting, the Rapporteurs² of the questions to be evaluated during the 41st meeting (13-15 February 2024) agreed with the Secretariat that they would present preliminary oral observations on general trends identified in the replies. A first draft written text will be prepared at a later stage (once preliminary observations for all interrelated questions have been presented to ensure coherence).

5. With respect to future monitoring work, the Committee entrusted the Secretariat to prepare concept notes to set forth suggestions as to:

- the next thematic questionnaire(s) to evaluate policies and strategies in specific dimensions of the circle of trust;

¹ Albania, Denmark and Tunisia sent their replies after the 40th meeting of the Lanzarote Committee, thus bringing the number of responding Parties to 44, while the Parties that still have not replied are Greece, North Macedonia, the Russian Federation and Sweden.

² The Rapporteurs for this first set of questions are:

- question 1: Ms LOVŠIN (Slovenia);
- questions 2 and 3: Ms DOSZPOTH (Hungary);
- question 4: Ms RYAN-ROUGER (Missing Children Europe);
- questions 5 and 6: Ms CASTELLO-BRANCO (Portugal);
- question 10 Ms MUSCAT (Malta).

- the different steps necessary to examine compliance with recommendations addressed to Parties in the context of the monitoring round on challenges raised by child self-generated sexual images and videos.

2.2. Presentation of the revised draft Survey on data updating the 2010 CDPC survey on prevalence of child sexual exploitation and sexual abuse (working document T-ES(2023)11 rev.)

6. Ms TREWINNARD (Legal Advisor, Lanzarote Committee Secretariat) updated the Committee on the changes that had been made to working document T-ES(2023)11 rev. since the 39th meeting. She informed the Committee that the document had been revised in light of the discussions and comments provided by the Committee at its 39th meeting. The revised document had been submitted for further comments and discussion by the Committee members having volunteered to provide additional support to the Secretariat in this context, namely: Ms DE CRAIM (Belgium), Mr NIKOLAIDIS (Greece), Mr MAGNÚSSON (Iceland) and Ms MUSCAT (Malta). The text was subsequently revised and discussed with the Bureau before being shared with the Committee for examination during this meeting. During the discussions in the current meeting, Mr NIKOLAIDIS (Greece) updated the Committee about the Child Abuse & Neglect via Minimum Data Set ([CAN-MDS](#)) data collection system which had been identified as a promising practice during the first monitoring round. Mr MAGNÚSSON (Iceland) informed the Committee that there were some international indicators that could be used to help States to enhance their data collection mechanisms and suggested that the Committee invite UNODC and EUROSTAT to present their data collection mechanisms to the Committee at a future meeting. He recalled that if the Committee collects statistical data directly, it must be clear exactly what the Committee will do with such data. Ms BERNARDON (Italy) informed the Committee that in Italy the Observatory for the Fight against Paedophilia and Child Pornography is tasked with acquiring and monitoring data and information on the prevention and repression of child sexual abuse using a multi-disciplinary database. The database is co-ordinated by the Department for Family Policies of the Presidency of the Council of Ministers, and also collects data from the Ministries of: the Interior (including police, Carabinieri and Guardia di Finanza), Justice, Health and the hotline 114. The Committee decided to proceed with Part I of the draft document to gather information from State Parties about what data is collected and how. The Committee decided not to address the questions in Part II to Parties regarding the collection of statistical data at this stage. The Committee also decided to invite the following countries and organisations to present examples of data collection at a future meeting: Italy, UNODC, EUROSTAT and CAN-MDS.

3. Capacity building, exchange of information, experiences and good practices

3.1. European Day: learning from victims and survivors of child sexual exploitation and sexual abuse

3.1.1. Panel: examples of promising practices on learning from victims and survivors of childhood sexual violence to inspire policy change

7. Following the European Day Panel ([programme](#)), the Committee expressed gratitude to all of the panellists for their interventions and took note of the following key messages:

- clarity about the role and purpose of victim/survivor³ engagement is essential;
- policy makers need to have a trauma informed approach, this may require training for policy makers involved in engaging with victims/survivors;
- information should be provided about the follow up that will be given to the recommendations and outcomes of engagement;
- recognition that victims/survivors have professional expertise in addition to their lived experience of child sexual exploitation and sexual abuse and this should be recognised and validated by policy makers in the context of engagement;
- victim/survivor engagement should be mainstreamed into development of legislations and policies to ensure that it is meaningful and not tokenistic, the permanency of the Independent Commissioner and the Survivors Panel in Germany was identified as a promising practice.

3.1.2. Presentation and discussion on draft guidelines for victim/survivor engagement

8. Professor TAYLOR and Ms OTIENDE (Independent experts) presented draft guidelines for policy makers on victim/survivor engagement to the Committee. The guidelines are designed to ensure meaningful engagement with victims and survivors of child sexual abuse. The guidelines include the following principles: engagement must be trauma informed, victims/survivors should have self-determination throughout the engagement, survivor advocates should be empowered to engage with policy makers and equality and equity in the engagement process. In the discussions that ensued the Committee acknowledged that policy makers may benefit from engaging with victims and survivors of child sexual exploitation and sexual abuse. The Committee discussed the ways in which Governments and other policy makers could contribute to the healing of victims/survivors. These include: effective access to criminal justice responses and participation in inquiries and fact-finding commissions. It was underlined that effective implementation of recommendations made following inquiries and commissions is essential for victims/survivors to feel heard and to improve policies and responses to prevent and combat child sexual exploitation and sexual abuse.

³ The terms victim/survivors are used to be as inclusive as possible bearing in mind that not everyone with lived experience of childhood sexual abuse will identify with the term “survivor”. It is also noted the term “survivor” is not used in the context of child sexual abuse and exploitation in one State Party / [a few State Parties].

9. The Committee was informed that being told by someone in a position of power that the victim/survivor is believed and recognised as a victim can be very healing. The independent experts informed the Committee about the different forms of engagement that are possible including: engagement of victims/survivors in the development of national action plans, co-creation of policies and practices as well as engagement as consultants and advisors regarding the implementation of these policies. The Committee also discussed several resources that can be used by policy makers looking to engage with victims/survivors which will be included in the published guidelines. Lack of media regulation and guidelines on reporting cases of child sexual exploitation and sexual abuse was identified as an important gap that policy makers could address through guidance and toolkits for media on how to engage with victims/survivors in a meaningful and safe way to avoid re-traumatisation and re-victimisation. Lack of or delayed disclosure was also identified as an area that required more tools, it was also identified that children often make a disclose to peers. Awareness raising and peer education, including on disclosure training for young people was identified as an area that required more action and resources. The importance of wrap around and multidisciplinary services was also identified as essential to prevent poly- and re-victimisation.

3.2. Consideration and decisions on follow-up to the public seminar of 31 May 2023 on challenges raised by statutes of limitation in respect of sexual offences against children and on the legal age for sexual activities

3.2.1. Consideration and discussion of first draft guidance note or other similar document on statutes of limitations in respect of sexual offences against children (working document T-ES(2023)19)

10. Prior to the discussion of the draft working document, the Committee held an exchange with Dr KEYAERTS, Legal Secretary to the Belgian Constitutional Court, who presented the Belgian Constitutional Court judgment 76/2022 “League des droits humains” and “Association Syndicale des Magistrats” concerning the constitutionality of legislative amendments abolishing the limitation periods for a number of offences related to child sexual exploitation and sexual abuse.

11. Following the presentation by Ms MALAREVA (Legal Advisor to the Lanzarote Committee) of the draft working document, the Committee proposed a number of amendments and instructed the Secretariat to prepare a draft opinion on the basis of the working document which would, among other things, acknowledge that the best course of action for the implementation of Article 33 of the Convention is the abolition of statutes of limitations in respect of sexual offences against children, followed by their significant extension and other similar practices (in line with the recommendation in [PACE Resolution 2330 \(2020\)](#) and a [UN CRC recommendation](#) issued in 2002 to “remove systemic barriers to justice for children, including limited prescription periods”⁴). It was agreed that the draft opinion would not make any direct pronouncements on incompatibility with the Convention of certain legal arrangements and would list possible ways to implement Article 33 without ranking them.

⁴ See United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child (2022), A/77/41, Appendix II, para. 25.

12. The Committee agreed that written comments on the text from the Parties which expressed a wish to submit such comments (e.g. clarifications of Parties' legal arrangements, terminology amendment proposals, etc.) should be submitted to the Secretariat at lanzarote.committee@coe.int by 22 December 2023 at the latest.

3.2.2. Consideration and decisions on the way forward suggested in the concept note on the Committee's future work on the legal age for sexual activities (working document T-ES(2023)13)

13. Ms LABBADI (Assistant lawyer, Lanzarote Committee Secretariat) presented the concept note on possible follow-up actions of the capacity-building seminar on the legal age for sexual activities (T-ES(2023)13). She reminded the Committee of the internal nature of this working document, the aim of which was to initiate discussions on the nature of the proposed follow-up actions, focusing on their content and not on the terminology used. Following such discussions, the Committee reached an agreement on the substance of all proposed follow-up actions and entrusted its Secretariat to prepare a draft opinion on the legal age for sexual activities, incorporating these actions and revising them based on comments provided by some of its members during the meeting. Comments included the following:

- define the articles of the Lanzarote Convention concerned by the legal age for sexual activities;
- clarify the difference between the legal age for sexual activities and the age below which a child is never deemed capable to consent;
- reformulate the requirements for age difference clauses (i.e. taking into account children in particularly vulnerable situations, coercion of children, etc).

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

3.3.1. Brief tour de table of the members to inform the Committee about any recent changes in the protection of children against sexual exploitation and sexual abuse at national level that illustrate the impact of a Lanzarote Committee recommendations and decisions

14. The Committee was informed of:
- Constitutional reforms to recognise the rights of the child at the constitutional level, in particular the best interests of the child and children's right to participate (Luxembourg) and to abolish the statute of limitations for all sexual offences against children under the age of eighteen, on the grounds of ensuring the fundamental right of children to development and national security (Mexico⁵);

⁵ As one of the States having participated in the drafting of the Convention, Mexico participates in the Lanzarote Committee meetings despite not yet having become a State Party to the Convention.

- Amendments adopted or proposed to family laws to improve the status of children in the family and society, raising the age of marriage, terminating parental rights of a parent convicted by a finalised court judgement of child sexual exploitation and abuse (Bosnia and Herzegovina);
- National strategies or action plans in preparation or adopted following the specific recommendations of the Lanzarote Committee on the rights of the child (Bulgaria and Finland), on the implementation of the Lanzarote Convention (Finland) and on combating the sexual exploitation and abuse of children (Italy);
- Child-friendly documents adopted, such as child-friendly versions of national strategies and action plans, including information on contact numbers for reporting abuse and seeking help (Italy);
- Governmental declarations on the political prioritisation of the prevention of all forms of sexual violence (Luxembourg);
- Establishing or working towards the setting up of Barnahus and other similar structures for multidisciplinary inter-agency response to child sexual abuse (Croatia, Finland);
- Compulsory, comprehensive and age-appropriate sexuality education introduced in the national curriculum in line with the Lanzarote Convention, despite some negative reactions from parents (Belgium);
- Projects addressing various issues, such as showing a documentary on national television about victims and survivors of child sexual abuse by clergy (Belgium), improving the protection of children from all forms of violence in schools, and collecting testimonies of victims and survivors of sexual violence (Luxembourg);
- Cooperation between national authorities and international organisations such as the Council of Europe's monitoring and intergovernmental bodies (Bulgaria), co-operation unit (Croatia), the United Nations and UNICEF to support the monitoring work of the Lanzarote Committee by collecting children's views for the questionnaire addressed to children within the framework of the 3rd monitoring round (Bosnia and Herzegovina) and to strengthen the capacities of professionals working with children to improve the protection of children's rights (Luxembourg).

3.3.2. Panel showcasing Lanzarote Committee observers or participants recent work and activities that could enrich the outcome of the Committee's ongoing work

15. Ms CASTELLO-BRANCO recalled that the Committee decided to organise annual panels to showcase its observers' initiatives to combat child sexual exploitation and sexual abuse. The 2023 panel was held during the current meeting. It included the following presentations (PowerPoint presentations with further details on each initiative are available in the Committee's shared space):

- Mr DRENNAN ([WPGA](#)) on the findings of the WeProtect Global Alliance [Global Threat Assessment 2023](#);
- Ms TOMMASINO ([EVAC](#)) on an update of the work EVAC has been leading on the Data for Change initiative;

- Mr TUNKS ([IWF](#)) on IWF work on tackling Child Sexual Abuse Material that has been generated using Generative Artificial Intelligence;
- Ms NAUMOVSKA ([INHOPE](#)) on Effective data exchange to fight online CSAM
- Mr McVARISH (Brave Movement) on “Brave Movement - year 2”;
- Ms WITTORSKI ([ECPAT](#)) on the findings of an EU poll carried out on “[What do the EU citizens really think about data privacy and child protection online?](#)”.

3.3.3. Up-date on progress in the negotiations of the [proposal for an EU Regulation to prevent and combat child sexual abuse](#) and in the review of EU Directive 2011/93 and that of other relevant Directives

16. Mr LOVASZ (European Commission, Directorate General for Migration and Home Affairs) informed the Committee that an opinion on the proposal had been adopted by the European Parliament in its November 2023 plenary sitting and that an opinion from the European Council was awaited. He also pointed out that the work on the recast of EU Directive 2011/93 is ongoing, and its examination is scheduled for the first quarter of 2024. Mr LOVASZ agreed to inform the Committee about further progress and any outcomes, if available, at the Committee’s next meeting, including as regards the 2012 EU Victims’ Rights Directive.

3.3.4. Up-date on progress in the [negotiations](#) of the United Nations Ad Hoc Committee (UN AHC) to elaborate a comprehensive international Convention on Countering the Use of Information and Communications Technologies for Criminal Purposes

17. The Secretariat informed that a [new draft of the Convention](#) had been circulated and negotiations on it would take place in January. The Cybercrime Convention colleagues would thus provide an up-date on the new phase of negotiations at the Committee’s 41st meeting (13-15 February 2023). Meanwhile, Lanzarote Committee members were invited to contact their Budapest Convention colleagues to coordinate as regards negotiation strategies in particular of draft articles 13 to 15 concerning sexual offences against children.

4. Information about Council of Europe work relevant to the Lanzarote Committee’s mandate

4.1. Up-date on the work of the Consultation Group on Children of Ukraine (CGU)

18. The Secretariat informed that as the first meeting of the CGU was taking place on 29 November-1 December 2023, an up-date of progress made and next steps would be provided during the Committee’s 41st meeting (13-15 February 2024).

4.2. Update on the work of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE)

19. Ms FATALIYEVA (Chairperson of the Sub-Committee on children of the PACE Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development) first informed the Committee about the adoption of two reports on preventing addictive behaviours and promoting the mental health of children and young adults. She then presented specific activities on protecting children from violence, including sexual violence, highlighting the reports being prepared on “Child abuse in Europe: addressing, compensation and prevention” by Mr Pierre-Alain Fridez (Switzerland, SOC) and “Right of the child to protection while using the internet” by Mr Joseph O’Reilly, (Ireland, EPP/CD). She also drew attention to the statement of the President of the Assembly, Mr Tiny Cox on the European Day for Protection of Children against Sexual Exploitation and Sexual Abuse (18 November), emphasizing the significance of engaging with victims/survivors of sexual exploitation and abuse at national and local level, to learn from them and their traumatic experiences. Finally, Ms FATALIYEVA informed the Committee that urgent debates concerning the situation of Ukrainian children, including deportations and unlawful transfers, have also been held, with plans for further discussions and actions to address their situation.

4.3 Debriefings by Lanzarote Committee members or its Secretariat having participated in meetings of Council of Europe bodies or outside events on behalf of the Lanzarote Committee

20. Ms CASTELLO-BRANCO informed the Committee about her participation in the events on strengthening the child protection system in Morocco organised by the Council of Europe in Rabat on 24 and 25 October 2023 and stressed that the exchange of ideas was very enriching for all stakeholders. Mr RAMLI (Independent National Human Rights Institution of Morocco) stated that following the exchange of ideas and sharing of good practices between international and national stakeholders, including civil society organisations, a report was produced, and several recommendations were adopted on how to better cooperate and protect children from sexual exploitation and abuse. The main recommendation for the Independent National Human Rights Institution of Morocco is to urge the government to ratify the Lanzarote Convention, which is seen as an important instrument to ensure the protection of children, in addition to Optional Protocol 3 to the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child.

4.4. Update on the Children’s Rights Division Cooperation projects

21. Ms GASPARYAN (Head of Cooperation Unit, Children’s Rights Division) informed the Committee of the state of play with respect to various children’s rights [cooperation projects](#). In particular, she presented the results achieved and the next steps of the technical support projects on Barnahus (Croatia, Finland, Ireland and Spain), child participation (Czech Republic, Finland, Iceland, Portugal and Slovenia), violence against children (Georgia, Republic of Moldova), online sexual abuse (Georgia, Republic of Moldova and Montenegro), and child-friendly justice (Slovenia and Ukraine).

5. Procedural matters

22. Following a presentation by the [Global Collaborative](#), an all-volunteer, survivor led network of child advocacy organisations, academic institutions, survivors networks, NGOs and faith actors that works to raise awareness and educate the public to better protect children and promote solutions to prevent child sexual exploitation and sexual abuse, the Committee decided to grant observer status to this Organisation.

23. The Committee adopted the list of decisions of this meeting.

6. Any other business

24. Ambassador SUÁREZ DEL REAL Y AGUILERA (Mexico) informed the Committee of the agreement reached in Mexico to ratify the Lanzarote Convention and to become a State Party in 2024.

25. The Committee welcomed the approval of the Council of Europe's application for membership to the WeProtect Global Alliance.

Appendix I

Agenda

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 - 2.2. Presentation of existing indicators for data collection on child sexual exploitation and sexual abuse and consideration of the revised draft Survey of data updating the 2010 CDPC survey on prevalence of child sexual exploitation and sexual abuse (working document T-ES(2023)11 rev.)
- 3. Capacity building, exchange of information, experiences and good practices**
 - 3.1. Consideration and decisions on follow-up to the public seminar of 31 May 2023 on challenges raised by statutes of limitation in respect of sexual offences against children and on the legal age for sexual activities
 - 3.1.1.a Exchange with Dr Keyaerts, legal secretary at the Belgian Constitutional Court
 - 3.1.1.b First reading of the draft document on statutes of limitations in respect of sexual offences against children (working document T-ES(2023)20)
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4.2. Up-date on the work of the Parliamentary Assembly the Council of Europe (PACE)

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4.4. Update on the Children's Rights Division Cooperation projects

5. Procedural matters

5.1. Consideration and decision on Global Collaborative's request for observer status

5.2. Adoption of the list of decisions of this meeting

6. Any other business

Dates of the next meetings

- **41st meeting:** 13-15 February 2024 (Strasbourg)
- **42nd meeting:** 11-13 June 2024 (Strasbourg)
- **43rd meeting:** 4 days, second half of October/early November 2024 (exact dates and venue tbc)

Appendix II

List of participants

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Appendix III

3rd monitoring round on the circle of trust -legal frameworks timeline

Meeting	41 st meeting (13-15/02/2024)	42 nd meeting (11-13/06/2024)	43 rd meeting (12-15/11/2024)	44 th meeting (2025)
Questions & themes	Questions 1-6 and 10 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key notions (Q1) • Victim's age (Q2) • Scope of offence (Q3 and 4) • Ex officio prosecution (Q5) • Measures in respect of children who sexually offend and children displaying risky and harmful sexual behaviour (Q6) • Guarantees of protection for persons reporting suspected offences (Q10) 	Questions 7-9, 11- 12 and 17-18 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child victims' rights to protection and parental rights (Q7, 8, and 9) • Assistance to third parties (Q11 and 12) • Support for child victims in investigative and judicial proceedings (Q17 and 18) 	Questions 13-16, and 19-20 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitoring of offenders (Q13) • Measures in respect of professionals and legal persons (Q14) • Special representatives (Q15 and 16) • Investigation (Q19) • Judicial proceedings (Q20) 	Examination of preliminary draft full report
Rapporteurs	Q1: Jana LOVŠIN Q2: Anna DOSZPOTH Q3: Anna DOSZPOTH Q4: Theresa RYAN-ROUGER Q5: Maria José CASTELLO-BRANCO Q6: Maria José CASTELLO-BRANCO Q10:Lorna MUCAT	Q7: Q8: Q9: Q11: Q12: Q17: Q18:	Q13: Q14: Q15: Q16: Q19: Q20:	