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GLOSSARY OF TERMS AND ACRONYMS

• AIDS: Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome
• CRC: Convention on the Rights of the Child
• CSEC: Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children
• CSO: Civil Society Organisation
• EAC: East African Community
• ECPAT: End Child Prostitution, Child Pornography and Trafficking of Children for Sexual Purposes
• GNRC: Global Network of Religions for Children
• HIV: Human Immunodeficiency Virus
• ICT: Information and Communication Technology
• ILO: International Labour Organisation
• IOM: International Organisation for Migration
• IPEC: International Programme on the Elimination of Child Labour
• ISP: Internet Service Provider
• KIWOHEDE: Kiota Women's Health and Development Organisation
• LHRC: Legal and Human Rights Centre
• MCDGC: Ministry of Community Development, Gender and Children
• MKUKUTA: Tanzania National Strategy for Growth and Poverty Reduction
• MKUZA: Zanzibar Strategy for Growth and Poverty Reduction
• MSWYWCD: Ministry of Social Welfare, Youth, Women and Children Development
• MVC: Most Vulnerable Children
• MVCC: Most Vulnerable Children's Committees
• NGO: Non-Governmental Organisation
• NOLA: National Organisation for Legal Aid
• NPA: National Plan Of Action
• NSPF: National Social Protection Framework
• OLPC: One Laptop Per Child Project
• OPSC: Option Protocol to the CRC on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography
• PEDP: Primary Education Development Programme
• PEPFAR: USAID President’s Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief
• PRSP: Poverty Reduction Strategy Paper
• REPSSI: Regional Psychosocial Support Initiative
• RITA: Registration, Insolvency and Trusteeship Agency
• SADC: Southern African Development Community
• SEDP: Secondary Education Development Programme
• TBP: Time Bound Programme
• TCRF: Tanzania Child Rights Forum
• TEHAMA: Ministry of Education and Vocational Training curriculum for ICT in primary and pre-primary education
• TWCWC: Tanzanian Women and Children Welfare Centre
• UN: United Nations
• UNAIDS: Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS
• UNFPA: United Nations Population Fund
• UNHCR: United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
• UNICEF: United Nations Children's Fund
• USAID: United States Agency for International Development
• WFP: United Nations World Food Programme
• WHO: World Health Organisation
• ZACA: Zanzibar Association for Children's Advancement
At the First World Congress against Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC) held in Stockholm in 1996, governments from around the world first gave recognition that commercial sexual exploitation of children is a global crime of epidemic proportions. The Stockholm Declaration and Agenda for Action - a strategic framework for actions against CSEC - was adopted by the 122 governments participating in the Congress in order to guide a systematic global response against the sexual exploitation of children.

The outcome document of the First World Congress was soon followed by the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography (OPSC). Adopted in 2000 as a legally binding treaty of the United Nations, the Optional Protocol (and other relevant international treaties) reaffirms the urgent need for political will and concrete actions from governments to ensure that children in their countries can live free from all forms of commercial sexual exploitation.

In 2001, high-level delegates from 136 governments, local and international non-governmental organisations and children and young people, convened in Yokohama for the Second World Congress to review the achievements and challenges in combating CSEC as well as to identify new priorities needed to bolster and enhance action. Seven years later, the World Congress III in Rio de Janeiro provided the largest global platform to date for delegates from 137 governments to renew their state’s commitment to protect children from commercial sexual exploitation. The Rio Declaration and Call for Action strongly urges all stakeholders, including the private sector, to continue their due diligence in taking the necessary follow-up actions to eliminate CSEC. The Rio Call for Action emphasises the obligation to uphold the rights of the child as identified in existing international human rights and child rights instruments. It also offers a framework for the accountability of all duty-bearers of children’s rights, particularly governments, in the fight against sexual exploitation of children and re-affirms the continuing relevance of the Agenda for Action, first agreed to in Stockholm twelve years earlier.

This report, as part of the Second Edition series of country monitoring reports produced by ECPAT International, provides a comprehensive baseline of information on all manifestations of CSEC in the country and an assessment of achievements and challenges in implementing counteractions (including the participation of children and young people themselves) to eliminate CSEC. The report, which follows the framework of the Stockholm Agenda for Action, serves as an instrument for the sharing of information and experiences among various stakeholders.
and duty-bearers within the country as well as internationally. It also suggests concrete priority actions urgently needed to proactively advance the national fight against CSEC. Furthermore, this report enables the monitoring of the implementation of international instruments on child rights, related to commercial sexual exploitation that have been ratified by the concerned state.

The production of this report is achieved through extensive collaboration within the ECPAT global network. ECPAT International would like to thank ECPAT member groups in the countries assessed, local and global experts and other organisations for their invaluable inputs to this report. ECPAT International would also like to express its profound appreciation of all the hard work of its dedicated team from within the Secretariat and for the generous support of its donors that helped make the finalisation of this report possible. The contributions of all involved have greatly strengthened the monitoring of the Agenda for Action and the heightened collaboration needed to fight the new and evolving complex manifestations of commercial sexual exploitation of children.
The Agenda for Action against Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children provides a detailed framework and categories of actions to be taken by governments in partnership with civil society organizations and other relevant actors for combating commercial sexual crimes against children. Broadly, these actions are focused on: 1) Coordination and Cooperation; 2) Prevention; 3) Protection; 4) Recovery, Rehabilitation and Reintegration; and 5) Child Participation. The Agenda for Action is thus the formal and guiding structure used by governments that have adopted it and committed to work against CSEC. As such, the Agenda for Action is also the main organising framework for reporting on the status of implementation of the Agenda as seen in the World Congress II of 2001, the Mid-Term Review meetings held between 2004 and 2005 and the World Congress III in 2008. It has been used in the same way to structure and guide the research, analysis and preparation of information presented in these reports on the status of implementation of the Agenda in the individual countries.

Preparatory work for this 2nd Edition report involved a review of the literature available on sexual exploitation for each of the countries where ECPAT works. A number of tools were prepared, such as a detailed glossary of CSEC terms, explanatory literature on more difficult themes and concepts and a guide to relevant CSEC-related research tools, to assist researchers in their work and to ensure consistency in the gathering, interpreting and analysing of information from different sources and parts of the world. Desktop research has shown a continuing lack of information in the areas of Recovery, Rehabilitation and Reintegration. After extensive efforts to collect information relevant to these areas for each of the countries covered, it was decided that as this information was not consistently available, the reports thus focus only on those areas of the Agenda for Action where verifiable information can be obtained. Thus, the report covers: Coordination and Cooperation; Prevention; Protection and Child and Youth Participation, and where information on recovery, rehabilitation and reintegration, was available, it has been included under the country overview. These 2nd Edition Reports also reflect a greater focus on integrated and inter-sector collaboration for the realisation of the right of the child to protection from sexual exploitation, including the need nationally for comprehensive child protection systems.

Research of secondary sources, including CRC country and alternative reports, OPSC country and alternative reports, the reports of the Special Rapporteurs, as well as research and field studies of ECPAT, governmental and non-governmental organizations, regional bodies and UN agencies, provided the initial information for each report. This information was compiled, reviewed and used to produce first draft reports. In-house and consultant specialists undertook a similar process of review to generate information on specialised areas of the reports, such as the legal sections. Nevertheless, researchers often encountered a lack of information. While sources also included unpublished reports and field and
As previously noted, the information of each country report is organised to correspond to the structure of the Agenda for Action. Thus all the 2nd Edition reports feature updated information in relation to: (i) an overview of the main CSEC manifestations affecting the country; (ii) analysis of the country’s National Plan of Action (NPA) against CSEC and its implementation (or the absence of an NPA); (iii) overview and analysis of coordination and cooperation efforts during the period under review; (iv) overview and analysis of prevention efforts; (v) overview and analysis of protection efforts, which includes detailed information on national legislation related to CSEC (see www.ecpat.net for further details); (vi) overview and analysis of country’s efforts incorporate participation of children in youth in the development and implementation of efforts to combat CSEC and (vii) priority actions required.

Despite these limitations, sufficient information was gathered to provide a broad overview of the situation in each country. Subsequently, first drafts were prepared and shared with ECPAT groups, which then supplemented the information with other local sources and analysis (taking care to identify them and source appropriately). Upon receipt of these inputs, a series of questions were generated by the ECPAT International team for deeper discussion, which involved ECPAT groups and specialists invited by them. The information from these discussions was used to finalise inputs to each of the reports. These consultations proved to be invaluable for analysis of the country situation. They also served as a measure for triangulating and validating information as different actors offered their perspective and analysis based on their direct work.

Case reports of ECPAT and other partners, many countries lacked up-to-date data and information on areas relevant to this report.
TANZANIA

INTRODUCTION

After achieving independence from Britain in the early 1960s, Tanganyika and Zanzibar merged to form the nation of Tanzania in 1964, although Zanzibar maintains a semi-autonomous status.¹ Today, the United Republic of Tanzania is a developing East African nation with a population of approximately 40 million, (44 million census 2012) half of whom are under 18 years of age.²

Rural poverty in Tanzania was cut in half from 1985 to 2001, but poverty is still widespread and occurs primarily in rural areas where 85% of the country’s poor people live.³ Although Tanzania’s United Nations Development Programme’s Human Development Index rose from 0.3 in 1991 to 0.4 in 2002,⁴ the country is currently only ranked 152 out of 186 countries on the Human Development Index.⁵

Tanzania’s location, bordering eight other countries, makes it a popular destination for refugees and allows for large migration flows to, from and through the country.⁶ It also has a large number of orphan children due to the HIV/AIDS epidemic.⁷ Tanzania has over two million orphaned/abandoned children, only 8% of children under five years old have birth certificates, and 20% of 5-17-year-olds are involved in child labour.⁸ Taken together, these factors increase the number of vulnerable children in Tanzania and their risk of commercial sexual exploitation.

Violence Against Children

According to a study undertaken by UNICEF in 2009 on behalf of the Government of Tanzania, almost 75% of children in Tanzania are victims of physical violence. In addition, nearly 30% of girls and 13% of boys will experience at least one incident of sexual violence during childhood. As a result, a minimum of three-quarters of children in Tanzania have experienced some kind of violence during childhood, and the real rate of abuse is likely to be significantly higher. Given that approximately half of all Tanzanians are under the age of 18, these statistics highlight a concerning social problem facing the country.⁹

The reliable data on the nature and extent of commercial sexual exploitation of children (CSEC) in Tanzania is limited due to lack of research on the topic as well as the taboo nature of CSEC related issues in society. There is evidence, however, that CSEC is a growing problem, especially in urban areas. Due in part to extreme poverty, children are forced to drop out of school and some have no other means of survival than prostitution.
Some parents sell their children into sexual exploitation or give their daughters away for a dowry, and children are trafficked from rural areas to urban areas because it is believed that they are free from AIDS. Sexual exploitation of children in tourism is increasing in urban areas as well.  

The root causes of CSEC in the country have remained the same for more than a decade. A recent study by the Kiota Women’s Health and Development Organisation (KIWOHEDE) of all children admitted for care and support revealed that 40% of children involved in commercial sex work were children from poor families and that the most interactive areas such as mining and fishing sites are now known locations for child prostitution. There are chains of pimps and children submit themselves to commercial sex work due to multiple contributing factors including parental separation, poverty, school dropout, migration, trafficking, and hazardous domestic work. 

Following the 1996 Stockholm and the 2001 Yokohama global forums on CSEC, Tanzania reaffirmed its commitments at the World Congress III against the Sexual Exploitation of Children and Adolescents, in November 2008 in Brazil. The World Congress III renewed global commitment and galvanised international resolve to combat sexual exploitation of children and adolescents. In total, more than 3000 people took part in the three-day gathering, including representatives from government, the private sector and civil society as well as 300 children and adolescents from around the world.

Based on limited available data, there is evidence that child prostitution not only exists in Tanzania, but that it is growing due to poverty, increased tourism, and a growing number of street children in urban areas. Children from 9–17 years of age were found to be involved in prostitution and while a 2001 assessment found that the common age of these children was 17, there was a small percentage under 10 years old. Many of these children were trafficked to the bigger cities from rural areas with false promises of employment as house girls and bar maids and then sold to brothels, guesthouses, or left to live on the streets. Areas in Dar es Salaam as well as suburbs like Uwanja, wa Fisi, Temeke stereo, Buguruni Sewa, Buguruni Alabama, Magomeni Kwa Macheni, Manzese and Kinondoni are well known for child prostitution. The Dar es Salaam city authority has conducted operations to clear child prostitutes out of certain areas, but these operations have only targeted the children involved in the prostitution. The police tend to arrest the child and not the offender who is breaking the law by engaging in child sexual exploitation. Additionally, the police have also been known to exploit child prostitutes by arresting them and offering to release them in exchange for sexual favours.

The problem of child prostitution in Tanzania can be attributed to many factors including, inter alia, poverty in general, limited educational opportunities (especially for girls), urban migration, orphanhood due to HIV/AIDS, child headed families, marital separation, parents irresponsibility, peer influence, cultural practices that favour early/forced marriages (causing young girls to run away to urban areas) and a preference by adult males for young girls as sexual partners in

Prostitution of children
the belief that these girls are free from HIV/AIDS.22

Clients of child prostitutes vary depending on the price of the child. Tourists, businessmen and NGO workers may be willing to pay more for sexual acts, while locals and teenagers may exploit those children who charge the lowest rates – sometimes only asking for food.23 Some child prostitutes operate out of hotels and bars and have clients that include wealthy tourists, businessmen and politicians while others have sexual intercourse in the street, for lower prices.24 The prostitution business is mobile in Tanzania, with girls travelling to mining sector areas around payday, or to the capital Dodoma when Parliament is in session.25

“Big Mamas”

“Big Mamas” are women who recruit vulnerable girls who arrive in the city from impoverished rural areas. These girls are picked up by other girls working for a “Big Mama.” To ensure that they stay and continue to work for “Big Mama,” the girls are held by a financial bond or otherwise intimidated. The documentary “Hyena Square” portrays this recruitment scheme in Hyena Square, a chaotic area of Dar es Salaam where prostitutes and beggars congregate.26

According to the Tanzanian government, out of approximately 16.5 million children in Tanzania, the overall percentage of working children has fallen from 25% to 21%. The number of children working as prostitutes over the same period however, has risen.27

Child trafficking for sexual purposes

Tanzania is a source, transit, and destination country for men, women and children subjected to forced labour and sex trafficking.28 Internal trafficking is more prevalent than transnational trafficking and is many times facilitated by friends or family members promising employment in the larger cities.29 A 2001 study of sexually exploited girls aged 9–17 in Tanzania’s major cities found that many had been trafficked from the country’s interior; some were trafficked to serve as domestic workers, others were trafficked directly into prostitution.30 The exploitation of young girls in domestic servitude continues to be Tanzania’s largest human trafficking problem; however, according to the United States Department of State’s Trafficking in Persons Report, cases of child trafficking for commercial sexual exploitation are increasing along the Kenya-Tanzania border.31

The US Department of State annually releases a Trafficking in Persons Report which categorises countries into different “tiers” based on the extent of government action to combat human trafficking. Countries that have the highest level of compliance with the Trafficking Victims Protection Act’s minimum standards for the elimination of trafficking are placed in Tier 1. Those that have made “significant efforts” to meet the standards are placed in Tier 2 and countries that are not making significant efforts to combat human trafficking are placed in Tier 3.

In the 2012 report, Tanzania was placed in Tier 2. Tanzania had been on the Tier 2 Watch List in 2010 and 2011.32
While the US Department of Labour reported in 2010 that trafficking for forced labour and commercial sexual exploitation was a problem in Tanzania, the Tanzanian government reported that there has been little research or data collected on human trafficking and related abuses. However, there have been several research studies done by local NGOs, including one done in 2007, which established that the sale of children from upcountry regions to major cities was “rampant” in Tanzania.

There are children trafficked for the purposes of domestic servitude and sex trafficking into other countries, including South Africa, Oman, the UAE, Saudi Arabia, the United Kingdom, the United States, and France. Child trafficking victims, mostly from Burundi and Kenya, are forced to work in agriculture, mining, or domestic service in Tanzania.

According to a research study conducted by the International Organisation for Migration (IOM) in 2008, there were certain characteristics associated with a child’s likelihood of being trafficked, including: lower levels of education for girls, the death of one or both parents, and proximity to busy roads.

According to Terre de Hommes Netherlands, child pornography is produced in Tanzania and it is suspected that its production is coordinated and organised on a professional level, in part by Europeans. It has also been reported by various NGOs that tabloid newspapers and magazines, known as “udaku” in Kiswahili, have published immoral pictures of children and that no legal action was taken against them, even though it is restricted by law.

Tanzania is a member of the East Africa Internet Governance Forum which seeks to address a wide range of ICT elements, including cybercrime and child pornography. There is little evidence, however, that the Forum has taken concrete steps to address or prevent child pornography.

In 2010, representatives from Tanzania attended a three-day regional workshop organised by ECPAT International and ECPAT Uganda on the Make-IT-Safe campaign, a global initiative to empower children and youth to promote the issue of Internet safety. The meeting provided an opportunity for participants to discuss trends and patterns in the sexual exploitation of children online in their countries. Participating cybercafés and mobile phone networks were trained on the implementation of the Code of Conduct for Safe Internet Use and at the conclusion of the workshop, it was decided that the Make-IT-Safe campaign would be advanced in the countries involved. There is little evidence, however, that this campaign has been promoted in any significant way in Tanzania.

According to Tanzanian NGOs, the sexual exploitation of children in tourism is increasing, especially along the Indian Ocean’s beach hotels where tourists come specifically looking to have sexual intercourse with children, both male and female. Zanzibar is recognised as one of the countries most affected by the sexual exploitation of children in tourism in Africa. Although child prostitution is strongly denied in Zanzibar, the sexual exploitation of children in tourism can be readily observed. Additionally, Zanzibar is a desirable destination for men looking to have sexual intercourse with young boys and there are certain locations that are well-known for finding boy prostitutes.
These travelling child sex offenders have been identified as foreigners involved in mining and other industries, as well as NGO employees.\textsuperscript{50} A study on the sexual exploitation of children in tourism was conducted by KIWOHEDE, along with various government stakeholders.\textsuperscript{51} The study covered four regions of Tanzania and those interviewed included victims of CSEC, tour guides, community leaders, hotel workers, tourist board, beach boys, food vendors, taxi drivers, and community members living near tourist sites.\textsuperscript{52} The study revealed that the sexual exploitation of children in tourism is a problem, especially in Dar es Salaam, Arusha and Zanzibar; areas that are well known for tourist attractions.\textsuperscript{53}

### Other factors contributing to CSEC

#### Birth registrations

Tanzania’s Registration, Insolvency, and Trusteeship Agency has estimated that only about 20\% of the population of more than 40 million have birth certificates.\textsuperscript{54} Registration is free if done within three months of the birth, but a fee must be paid if registering after the three month period of time.\textsuperscript{55} Children entering school are required to present a birth certificate, but this condition has not been strictly enforced.\textsuperscript{56} It has also been reported that the percentage of poor children that are registered is much lower than that of rich children.\textsuperscript{57} Universal standards require that registration of birth is free, compulsory and universal.\textsuperscript{58} The current Constitution does not contain such guarantees, the current Birth and Death Registration Act Cap 108 is not well disseminated to the public, and the infrastructure for registration is neither accessible nor effective.\textsuperscript{59} The lack of birth registration makes children more vulnerable to trafficking, as there is no official record of them.

#### Child marriage

Tanzanian law permits girls as young as 15 to get married with the consent of a parent or guardian – no consent is needed for orphaned girls – and the courts may allow marriages of 14-year-old girls in the case of pregnancy.\textsuperscript{60} Furthermore, Muslim and Hindu girls may marry legally at 12 years of age, so long as the marriage is not consummated until the girl reaches 15 years of age.\textsuperscript{61} Some people evade the law in order to marry even younger girls by bribing the police or paying a “bride price” to the girl’s family.\textsuperscript{62}

Article 162 of Tanzania’s Law of the Child Act 2009 changed the definition of a child from the Law of Marriage Act to “a person under the age of eighteen.”\textsuperscript{63} Consequently, a girl of 15 years of age is a child under Tanzanian law, but is still legally permitted to marry. This contradiction is also contrary to the African Charter on the Rights and Welfare of the Child.\textsuperscript{64}

Zanzibar’s Children and Young Person’s Decree was amended to become the Children’s Act 2011, which defines a child as anyone under the age of 18.\textsuperscript{65} Zanzibar’s Penal Code also defines a child as anyone under the age of 18;\textsuperscript{66} however, it excludes from this definition those who are married or have given birth. Under Islamic law, the age of a child is determined when he/she reaches puberty.\textsuperscript{67}

According to data collected by UNICEF Tanzania from 2000-2009, 38\% of women between the ages of 20 and 24 were married before the age of 18.\textsuperscript{68} It was reported in 2011 that 9\% of females on the Mainland and 6\% of females in Zanzibar were married before the age of 18; 29\% of these females were married when they were 14-15 years old, and 65.3\% were married when they were 16-17 years old.\textsuperscript{69}

This cultural tradition of child marriage increases the vulnerability of girls to sexual abuse and exploitation throughout their lives. It is also associated with divorce or
abandonment, which often leads to severe poverty for the girl or young woman and leaves them more vulnerable to resorting to some form of commercial sex to survive.\textsuperscript{70}

**Displaced children**

There are large numbers of street children in urban areas such as Dar es Salaam, Mwanza and Arusha.\textsuperscript{71} In 2011, there were reportedly approximately 802,000 children living in “adverse conditions” and close to 668,000 street children with limited access to health and education services due to lack of a fixed address or money to purchase medicine or school uniforms.\textsuperscript{72} These street children were also identified as being especially vulnerable to sexual abuse.\textsuperscript{73} According to the government, there are centres in 89 out of 133 municipalities where orphans and street children can gain access to some of these services.\textsuperscript{74} However, these centres do not begin to effectively address the problems facing the large number of street children.

**HIV/AIDS**

In Tanzania’s 2002 population census, it was shown that nearly 10% of all children had been orphaned – close to two million children.\textsuperscript{75} In 2005, indirect demographic analysis by UNAIDS, WHO and UNICEF estimated that 44% of orphanhood in Tanzania was the result of HIV/AIDS – approximately one million children.\textsuperscript{76} The International Labour Organisation and the International Programme on the Elimination of Child Labour (ILO/IPEC) found a strong correlation in Tanzania between the HIV/AIDS epidemic and the high percentage of orphaned children involved in violent activities such as domestic work and prostitution.\textsuperscript{77} According to KIWOHEDE, existing national efforts to curb mother-to-child HIV transmission have reduced the level of neonates born infected with HIV. The promotion of breast feeding and emphasis on nutrition and close follow-ups on postnatal care have reduced child mortality in Tanzania.\textsuperscript{78}

### NATIONAL PLAN OF ACTION

Each government should develop and implement specific policies and National Plans of Action (NPA) to protect children from all forms of CSEC in order to establish a comprehensive framework for intervention in the following five key areas: coordination and cooperation, prevention, protection, recovery and reintegration, and child participation.

In 2010, the US Department of Labour reported that the Tanzanian Ministry of Community Development, Gender and Children had prepared a *National Plan of Action to Combat Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children*;\textsuperscript{79} however, in 2011, the department was unable to find any information on the status of the Plan.\textsuperscript{80} In 2011, it was reported in the Tanzanian media that the government had developed such a plan and, when finalised, it would be shared among stakeholders for validation.\textsuperscript{81} KIWOHEDE worked with the Ministry of Community Development, Gender and Children (MCDGC) to develop a NPA on CSEC. Its main objectives were to establish a set of agreed upon actions, probable actors, types of activities, resources and indicators of achievement that would be implemented to combat CSEC in Tanzania and to implement a timeframe to achieve these goals; strengthen existing community based initiatives and safety nets; and promote advocacy and education on the implementation of existing legislation/policies in the best interests of the child.\textsuperscript{82} The NPA on CSEC was based on four key strategic priorities: (1) strengthen and support the capacity of families to protect and care for commercial sex victims and vulnerable children; (2) mobilise and
strengthen community-based responses for care, support and protection of commercial sex victims and vulnerable children; (3) ensure that legislation and policy strategies and programmes are in place to protect commercial sex victims and other vulnerable children; (4) raise awareness and advocate for a conducive environment for vulnerable children. Despite the development of these objectives and priorities, the NPA on CSEC was not approved by the Cabinet because it was determined that the government did not have the budget for it.

In its most recent report to the Committee on the Rights of the Child on the Implementation of the Convention on the Rights of the Child in 2012, Tanzania stated that it was in the process of forming a high level national body which would have a clear mandate to coordinate and evaluate the implementation of the provisions of the Convention on the Rights of the Child’s (CRC) Optional Protocol on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography (OPSC) and provide it with adequate human and financial resources.

In its Concluding Observations on Tanzania’s initial report on the OPSC, the Committee on the Rights of the Child recommended that Tanzania implement a specific plan of action to combat the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography. In its most recent report in 2012 to the Committee, Tanzania responded that it had complied with this request by forming a National Coordination Committee for child trafficking. While this action has reportedly aided in protecting child victims of trafficking, it is not on par with creating a national plan of action specifically addressing CSEC issues, especially as it focuses only on child trafficking and does not address child prostitution or child pornography.

In 2011, the government initiated an Anti-Trafficking Committee and Anti-Trafficking Secretariat to coordinate its national activities and within months, the Committee created the National Action Plan to Combat Trafficking 2011–2014, ratified by the government in March 2012. During this same time period, however, the government made no efforts to reduce the demand for forced labour or commercial sex acts.

In 2009, both Tanzania and Zanzibar put forth National Action Plans for the Elimination of Worst Forms of Child Labour. The NPAs identified key stakeholders and ministries responsible for child labour interventions as well as policies/strategies to combat the worst forms of child labour. The implementation of the NPAs was overseen by district labour officers in collaboration with education officers, social welfare officers, and women and child welfare officers. In Zanzibar, the National Action Plan for the Elimination of Child Labour is part of the Zanzibar Strategy for Growth and Poverty Reduction (MKUZA) and serves to remove children from involvement in activities that negatively affect their physical, social and psychological well-being. The NPA seeks to bring together different stakeholders involved with children’s welfare and development, to implement child labour provisions, and provide a framework for the elimination of child labour in Zanzibar. In order to support the implementation of the National Action Plan on Child Labour, as well as the National Plan of Action for Child Protection in Zanzibar, two projects were launched in 2011: Fighting Against Worst Forms of Child Labour and Strengthening of the Multi-Stakeholder Child Protection System in Zanzibar. The projects focused on protecting and withdrawing children from the worst forms of child labour in 50 communities of nine districts in Zanzibar, as well as securing education and vocational training for vulnerable children and providing economic support to their families.

Tanzania’s Ministry of Health and Social Welfare developed the National Costed Plan of Action for Most Vulnerable Children 2007–2010 in order to, inter alia, increase the national response to most vulnerable children.
(MVC) with more services over a longer period of time by 2011 and ensure that these children were protected and received access to essential services."99 One of the NPA’s objectives, under protection and security, was to address “all forms of child abuse and exploitation, including child trafficking, child labour, and commercial sex.”100 The NPA described the government’s commitment to a time bound programme that would eliminate the worst forms of child labour by the year 2010.101 Four priority areas were selected for the programme; one of these was children in commercial sex work where 5000 children were targeted for prevention, withdrawal and rehabilitation in certain districts.102

According to USAID, as of 2009, progress had been made in many areas, including in identifying MVC, coordinating NGO action, mobilising resources and developing a national data management system.103 It has been reported that the NPA supported 857,118 vulnerable children.104 During this time it was also reported that 8,586 Most Vulnerable Children’s Committees (MVCCs) were formed.105 In 2009, the Ministry of Health and Social Welfare developed National Guidelines for Improving Quality of Care, Support, and Protection for Most Vulnerable Children in Tanzania.106 Studies have shown that with the aid of MVCCs, these guidelines have helped to improve children’s wellbeing in certain areas.107 In many areas, however, the support provided by MVCCs is inadequate and/or inconsistent.108 Significant foreign investments in the National Costed Plan of Action for Most Vulnerable Children have improved children’s access to basic rights (food, education and health services), but there has been little focus on identifying and responding to children in need of protection from abuse, violence and exploitation.109

At the launching of the second phase of the National Costed Plan of Action for Most Vulnerable Children 2013–2017 (NCPA II) in February 2013, Tanzania’s Prime Minister stated that the number of MVC in the country was increasing “at an alarming rate” while the government was short on funds to address the problem.110 He estimated that the government would spend Sh330 billion on the new Plan.111 Zanzibar also adopted a Most Vulnerable Children Costed Action Plan 2010–2015,112 but there is little available information on its objectives or implementation.

An Operational Plan for the National Birth Registration Strategy (Costed Operational Plan for the Implementation of the USNBRS – Under Five National Birth Registration System) was developed and seeks to reform the birth registration system to allow for free birth registration, with certificates delivered at the registration point, and not as a two step process.113 According to UNICEF’s 2011 Annual Report on Tanzania, 6,348 out of 8,848 identified MVC were assisted in obtaining a birth certificate.114

COORDINATION AND COOPERATION

Coordination and cooperation are crucial for an efficient and effective fight against CSEC. In accordance with the Stockholm Declaration, close interaction and cooperation between government and non-government sectors is necessary to effectively plan, implement and evaluate measures to combat CSEC. At an international level, effective cooperation is required between countries and international organisations, including regional organisations, to ensure a concerted and coordinated approach is taken in eliminating CSEC.
Local and national level

In an effort to better coordinate and implement the provisions of the CRC and children’s rights issues in general, the government created the Ministry of Community Development, Gender and Children (MCDGC) on the Mainland and the Ministry of Social Welfare, Youth, Women and Children Development in Zanzibar (MSWYWCD). According to the government, regular meetings take place between the officials of these Ministries in an attempt to promote the coordination of children’s issues across the nation.

The government also contends that it has strengthened its cooperation with NGOs and community-based organisations regarding children’s programmes, as evidenced by its relaxation of restrictions on NGO registration and the absence of any NGO deregistration. This cooperation can also be observed by the formation of the Tanzania Child Rights Forum (TCRF), created in 2009 along with the Law of the Child Act. The role of the TCRF is to coordinate civil society organisation (CSO) initiatives to support the government in implementing the Law of the Child Act, international child rights instruments, and recommendations of international child rights treaty bodies. In February 2013, the Second Annual CSOs Child Rights Forum was held in Dodoma.

NGOs and community based organisations have been involved in the preparation of country periodic reports, in the drafting and enactment process of the Law of the Child Act 2009 and Zanzibar’s Children Act 2011, and in advising the government on how to effectively implement the CRC and its Optional Protocols. The government has also worked with the media to raise awareness of the CRC and its Optional Protocols which include the formation of groups of child/young journalists that report on children’s issues.

The Children’s Agenda, chaired by the Children’s Development Department of the MCDGC, is a coalition of organisations, government and other partners who are collaborating on the development and implementation of a national advocacy strategy for child rights in Tanzania. The Children’s Agenda creates a context for collective advocacy for child rights among government, civil society organisations, development partners, the media and the private sector. It also promotes child participation through the Baraza la Watoto (Children’s Council) and other school or community-based structures so that children can contribute their ideas and influence decisions that affect them. The Children’s Agenda 2012-2015 advocacy strategy seeks to more effectively budget allocations to the Top Ten Investments for Children which were determined through a consultation process involving, inter alia, children from various regions of Tanzania. One of the Investments was in the protection of children from violence, abuse, and exploitation, as it was determined that “the structures and systems to protect children from violence, abuse and exploitation are either weak, under resourced or non-existent in Tanzania.”

The National Inter-Sectoral Committee on Child Labour coordinates action to bring attention to child labour issues and strengthen local structures to eliminate child labour and includes government ministries and NGOs. According to KIWOHED, its role and mandate is to oversee all child commercial sex work initiatives. District-level entities report on the prevalence of working children and local-level child labour interventions; however, the regional governments between the district and national level are not involved. In 2011, the Committee met only once.

The Tanzanian government, in coordination with the International Programme on the Elimination of Child Labour (IPEC) and various NGOs, implemented a Time Bound
Programme on the Elimination of the Worst Forms of Child Labour that addressed child labour in commercial agriculture, mining, child prostitution and domestic services. The Programme used the media to raise awareness and encourage community mobilisation around child labour issues. The Programme mentioned specifically that those children working in commercial agriculture were identified, counselled, rehabilitated and reintegrated into their families as well as provided with education, skills training, and small grants. Another goal of the Programme included reaching at least 5000 children engaged in prostitution from 11 districts. From 2002-2005, a total of 6537 girls and 500 boys were prevented or withdrawn from commercial sexual exploitation under the Programme. It is unclear, however, if these children were given the same opportunities for counselling, rehabilitation and reintegration as those working in commercial agriculture.

In 2003, IPEC completed Phase I of its programme producing studies of good practices in fighting CSEC in Tanzania. It also supported national workshops and a final sub-regional workshop to present its findings. The goal of Phase II was to support the continuance of these good practices through direct action to withdraw and rehabilitate victims of CSEC as well as work to improve the capacity of national and local institutions to fight CSEC.

The Child Protection Working Group seeks to strengthen child protection responses by promoting a common understanding of child protection among relevant stakeholders. The Group is made up of NGOs and other stakeholders including: KIWOHEDE, the Department of Social Welfare, Children’s Development Department-MCDGC, Save the Children, Plan International, World Vision Dogodogo Centre, Children’s Dignity Forum, Africare, GNRC, REPSSI, NNOC-National Network of Organisations working with Children, Right to Play, PACT, FHI, and Caucus for Children Rights. The Child Protection Working Group meets monthly so that all the participating members can present their work, discuss and reach a consensus on child related issues. It also jointly observes national and international events such as the Child Labour Day and the Day of the African Child and sets an agenda for children in the country.

According to the Tanzanian government in its most recent report to the Committee on the Rights of the Child, it is in the process of creating a central management information system where data will be handled at one centralised point. With the help of the National Bureau of Statistics on the Mainland and the Chief of Government Statistician in Zanzibar, the government also conducted national surveys which provided statistics and information on, inter alia, the state of children’s welfare. It also received technical and financial assistance from inter-governmental, international, and national NGOs that helped to conduct sector-specific surveys related to children’s issues. In response to Tanzania’s first report, the Committee recommended that Tanzania strengthen its preventive measures by allocating “human and financial resources for research at regional and local levels aimed at addressing the root causes, such as poverty and some cultural practices, that contribute to the vulnerability of children to sale, prostitution, pornography and sex tourism.” In response, Tanzania highlighted its many legal protections of children as well as the improved budgetary allocations to ministries dealing with children’s issues which resulted in an increase in training for personnel on how to enforce the laws. This does not however, specifically address the issue of funding for research to address root causes of CSEC.
The East African Community (EAC) conducted its first-ever Child Rights Conference in September 2012. The issues of child protection and participation were highlighted and it was stressed that the issue of child trafficking was one of the major areas that must be addressed with regards to children's rights. Recommendations were given to, inter alia, formulate a harmonised EAC Child Policy, increase child participation by establishing National Children Parliaments and an EAC Assembly for Children, strengthen birth registration systems, ensure that vulnerable children have access to integrated services, and strengthen national child protection systems.

During the Conference, the EAC adopted the Bujumbura Declaration on Child Rights and Wellbeing in the East African Community. The Partner States committed to, inter alia, strengthen collaboration, cooperation and coordination on issues affecting children within the EAC. As individual governments, they also committed to collaborating with other stakeholders, such as UN agencies, international development partners, and civil society organisations to, inter alia, conduct comprehensive research to be used by EAC to inform regional policies and to provide advice and resources to the EAC to address existing issues that hinder the protection of children. However, CSEC was not specifically mentioned.

The Government of Tanzania is also a participant in the East African Police Chiefs Cooperation Organisation which works to strengthen regional cooperation and capacities among East African law enforcement authorities and includes programmes to increase coordination in combating human trafficking.

**PREVENTION**

The effective prevention of CSEC requires multi-faceted strategies and policies that simultaneously address the different elements of the problem. These strategies should target both vulnerable children and those who engage in sexual activities with children, while also addressing the root causes of CSEC such as poverty and lack of education.

Long term prevention strategies include improving the status of children who are most vulnerable to CSEC by implementing policies to reduce poverty and social inequality and improving access to education, health and social services. Effective short to medium term strategies include awareness-raising campaigns and education and training initiatives for the general public, vulnerable groups and government officials.

The resources, expertise and influence of the private sector, particularly the tourism and IT industries, should also be engaged in prevention measures, in particular in awareness-raising activities.

Furthermore, information, education and outreach programmes should be directed at those engaging in the commercial sexual exploitation of children (eg users of children forced into prostitution) to promote changes in social norms and behaviour and reduce the demand for child victims of commercial sexual exploitation.
Awareness-raising

According to the Tanzanian government in its most recent report to the Committee on the Rights of the Child in 2012, efforts have been made to inform the public, especially children, about the CRC and its Protocols. In the Mainland, awareness-raising activities on children’s issues have been conducted with selected journalists such as radio and TV broadcasters and editors. In Zanzibar, the MSWYWCD developed a manual on children’s rights based on the CRC and its Protocols and it was distributed to various stakeholders who are involved in children’s rights work. School curricula and materials specifically geared toward children were developed, including a child-friendly Kiswahili version of the OPSC.

“Fataki” Campaign

The “Fataki” campaign began in the Morogoro Region, supported by the US President’s Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR). This campaign worked to lower the spread of HIV/AIDS by discouraging cross-generational sex through stories of a fictional “Fataki” or “sugar daddy.” In each story played on the radio, “Fataki” would prey on young girls, offering them money, gifts and promises in exchange for sex. At the end of each story, he is driven away by the young girl’s family, friends or community members. As a result of the campaign, 88% of the adults in the region said that they felt they had the knowledge and power to do something about cross-generational sex. The campaign spread to other regions, and in 2008, it was broadcast over 15 radio stations. This campaign could serve as a model for future awareness-raising regarding CSEC.

Training and education

The government maintained in its most recent report to the Committee that 400 training sessions of trainers took place on children’s rights in relation to the CRC and its Protocols. In Zanzibar, training on the CRC and its Protocols was given to children's councils of approximately 100 children in Unguja and Pemba Islands. These sessions were also conducted for the Children and radio stations on the Mainland and in Zanzibar and posters, brochures, calendars, stickers, and T-shirts were distributed in areas of high risk for trafficking. A concert was also held in Dar es Salaam to support the campaign. Through the MCDGC on the Mainland and the MSWYWCD in Zanzibar, systematic gender-sensitive education and training on the provisions of the OPSC have been conducted for all professional groups working with child victims of the crimes covered by the OPSC.
The National ICT Policy of Tanzania, published in March 2003, recognised the role of ICT integration in education, and its importance in providing new opportunities to "enhance education, including curriculum development, teaching methodologies, simulation laboratories and life-long learning and distance education..." The Policy highlights the need for the teaching of ICT at all levels of education and training, the development of a nationwide e-education system, and the use of ICT to improve the quality of delivery of education. It is worth noting that the Policy does not cover issues related to the online protection of children, which should be an integral part of the document.

In 2005, the Government of Tanzania launched a project in collaboration with the Swedish government to introduce ICT in all 32 teacher training colleges in the country to improve the quality of teacher education through an improved ICT infrastructure of broadband connections and modern IT facilities. Such projects indicate the interest in future educational setups that would rely on online technologies for delivery of educational content and with more investment towards a modern ICT enabled infrastructure in schools to allow children to advance their learning. It is therefore imperative that the country understands the implications for children of going online and takes measures to implement suitable policies and develop curriculum to include e-safety education for children.

The above is especially important due to the fact that Tanzania is one of the EAC (East African Community) countries to adapt the OLPC (one laptop per child project) started by Nicholas Negroponte which aims to provide a laptop computer to every child in the poorest of countries.

The Ministry of Education and Vocational Training has established a curriculum for ICT in primary and pre-primary education: Teknolojia ya Habari na Mawasiliano (TEHAMA). Since very few schools had computers or access to the Internet, ICT was taught only in a limited number of schools, primarily based at district headquarters. It is to be noted that a syllabus of ICT for primary education for teacher training was developed to build the IT capacity of the teachers. It contained modules on computer communication such as Internet and email. Such curriculum needs to be enhanced by including topics on ICT safety for children and to equip teachers with knowledge about the issues related to social networking and risks to children that emerge from online interaction.

**Private sector involvement**

**Cyber Cafes in Tanzania**

The cyber cafes in Tanzania are not guided by well defined policies or regulatory schemes and the association of cafes operate under very loose guidelines. The public had primarily been accessing the Internet through the cyber cafes but with the advent of mobile networks, much of the access to the Internet is now happening through mobile phones. However, relatively few guidelines or policies exist to govern the mobile networks to undertake protective mechanisms for children.

In certain cyber cafes in Tanzania, there has been a trend to put the computer screens hidden under the desk of the user, so that they can be viewed from the top facing downwards. This could be problematic, since viewing of illegal content can be masked easily and providing privacy to the users for their online navigation might be detrimental for larger child protection interests.
Both Tanzania and Zanzibar have NPAs focused on MVC: the National Costed Plan of Action for Most Vulnerable Children 2013-2017 and the Most Vulnerable Children Costed Action Plan 2010-2015, respectively. According to Tanzania’s Prime Minister Mizengo Pinda, these programmes have achieved success, including assistance in the formation of 8586 Most Vulnerable Children’s Committees (MVCCs). MVCCs operate at the district and village levels and attempt to identify and coordinate the MVC response within communities. Evidence shows that the MVCCs are consistently successful in identifying MVC, but they still have trouble fulfilling their role due to lack of support. Most MVCCs have irregular contact with NGOs or government service providers and funding, goods and/or services provided can be unreliable and insufficient.

In an effort to increase school attendance and reduce the number of vulnerable children in Tanzania, the Primary Education Development Programme (PEDP) and the Poverty Reduction Strategy Paper (PRSP) eliminated primary school fees, although parents are still required to pay for school building projects and feeding programmes. The Secondary Education Development Programme (SEDP) was implemented from 2004-2009 and SEDP II is a continuation of that Programme. One of the main goals of SEDP was equity improvement through the reduction of school fees for day students. According to the government, SEDP was a success, with the number of secondary schools more than tripling from 2004-2009 as well as the number of students enrolled. According to the US Department of Labour, PEDP and SEDP contributed to increased enrolments in schools, but their effect on child labour and vulnerable children in general is unclear.

UN Tanzania, in partnership with the Tanzanian government, launched the Social Protection Programme 2011-2015, with implementing agencies that included ILO, IOM, UNFPA, UNICEF, UN Women, WFP, and WHO and a budget of $29,515,000. Among its key goals, the Social Protection Action Plan strives to: educate communities on issues concerning violence and abuse against children, including available protection services; help ministries, departments, agencies, law enforcement and civil society organisations to improve their technical skills to prevent and respond to cases of exploitation of children; aid local service providers in responding effectively to women and child victims of abuse, violence and exploitation; and ensure that ministries, departments and agencies produce and report disaggregated data on violence, abuse, trafficking and exploitation of children.

The Tanzanian Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs also developed a National Social Protection Framework (NSPF) in 2008, which sought to address the needs of orphaned and vulnerable children, but it has yet to be approved.

In 2006, Tanzania enacted the Birth and Death Registration Act which required a child to be registered within 42 days after his/her birth. Zanzibar’s Children’s Act 2011 also requires children to be registered immediately after birth. In an effort to implement these provisions, Zanzibar has established birth registration offices at the district level to help to register those children not born in health facilities.

Mainland Tanzania designated the Registration, Insolvency and Trusteeship Agency (RITA) to deal with the registration and issuance of birth certificates. In 2011, RITA adopted the Costed Operational Plan for the Implementation of the USNBRS (Under Five National Birth Registration System). RITA has made birth registrations free of charge in health facilities; however, the
implementation of this provision has proven to be difficult due to distribution costs, particularly in rural areas. One of the purposes of the U5NBRS Plan is to allow for free certification for those less than five years old and certificates are supposed to be issued instantly at the time of registration. This is a change from the old system of issuing a notification and then requiring the parents to go to the district office for the certificate. The implementation of this Plan is happening in some districts and regions; however, in other districts, where infrastructure is a problem, it can take between 1-30 days for certificates to be issued. RITA has also developed the 6-18 Birth Registration Initiative that works to monitor school-aged children to ensure they are registered while at school at different stages. RITA is also working with local government authorities (under whose administration all public schools are placed), heads of schools, and teachers to implement the Initiative.

According to the government, awareness-raising campaigns and mobile registration services have been carried out in 40 districts on the Mainland, resulting in the registration of 361,667 people. RITA’s goal under the U5NBRS is to have 80% of those children less than five years old registered within the first five years of the Initiative. As of 2010, only 14% of those under five years old were registered; of those, only 6.2% had birth certificates.

The government has also shown its commitment to reducing the MVC population by investing strongly in sectors that most directly impact children. According to the African Report on Child Wellbeing 2011: Budgeting for Children, Tanzania was one of the three most committed governments to budgeting for children from 2006-2008. Nevertheless, very little of this budget was allocated specifically to CSEC issues.

Research on CSEC

Tanzania was the first country in Africa to carry out a National Study on Violence against Children. The Tanzania Violence Against Children Study was overseen by a Multi-Sectoral Task Force that consisted of government ministries and partners from social welfare, the police and legal systems, education and health care sectors, the UN, and civil society. The study itself was coordinated by UNICEF Tanzania. The national estimates of violence against children provided by the study were “designed to help support efforts in Tanzania to develop and implement effective child-friendly prevention strategies . . . ” and an objective of the survey was to “use [the] data to guide policies and programmes to prevent and protect children from violence.” The Study recognised that “preventing violence against children in Tanzania is complicated by the influence of poverty and a weak social protection framework to protect vulnerable children.” Although this study provided recommendations regarding the prevention of violence against children, it focused very little on commercial child sexual exploitation, defined in the study as “any person under 18 who receives money or goods in exchange for sex.” This was in part due to the fact that it was a household survey. The Study did recommend that further research into violence against specific groups of children be conducted, such as children living on the street; however, there is no evidence to suggest that this research has been carried out.

The ILO/IPEC Rapid Assessment on Children in Prostitution in Tanzania in 2001 was the first ever research carried out in Tanzania regarding this type of forced labour. The purpose of the study was to establish the causes, incidences and trends of children in prostitution in Tanzania, as well as to propose tentative measures towards eradicating child prostitution.
As part of the Assessment’s proposed solutions to the problem of children in prostitution, several prevention measures were suggested, including: information and awareness-raising campaigns including local government and religious leaders and NGOs; outreach activities integrated into all local community structures and institutions such as schools, police forces, community groups, and churches; increase in vocational training programmes; capacity building in local communities to promote social and economical gains; and targeting the demand side of child prostitution. There is little evidence to suggest that these measures, which focused on preventing child prostitution, were carried out in a comprehensive manner, especially with regard to efforts aimed at eliminating the demand for child prostitution.

PROTECTION

Children’s rights instruments related to CSEC

Comprehensive and effective legislation is essential to protect children from commercial sexual exploitation. Specific laws must be developed, implemented and/or strengthened to combat the various manifestations of CSEC. These laws must be reviewed and updated regularly to incorporate evolving forms of CSEC, such as grooming or viewing and accessing child pornography online, and changes in the international legal framework. As well as enacting legislation that is compliant with international standards and obligations, national laws must be effectively enforced. Policies and procedures to protect child victims and/or witnesses are also essential.

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In 2009, the Government of Tanzania enacted the *Law of the Child Act* which “effectively domesticates the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child and provides the legal framework through which the rights of the country’s children can be protected and realised.”

In 2011, Zanzibar did the same with the implementation of its *Children’s Act*. In Zanzibar, the National Child Rights Committee monitors, evaluates and reports on the status of implementation of international child rights instruments.

According to Article 2(b) of the *Convention on the Rights of the Child* (CRC) Optional Protocol on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography (OPSC), child prostitution is “the use of a child in sexual activities for remuneration or any other form of consideration.” This definition covers all acts of offering, obtaining, procuring or providing a child for child prostitution.

According to Tanzania’s *Anti-Trafficking in Persons Act*, prostitution is a “transaction, scheme or design involving the use of a person by another for sexual intercourse or lascivious conduct in exchange for money, profit or any other consideration.” It appears, however,
that Tanzania has no official legal definition of child prostitution.

Article 139(1) of Tanzania’s Penal Code prohibits procuration for prostitution, including procuring or attempting to procure any person under 18 years of age to go into or out of Tanzania with a view to facilitate prohibited sexual intercourse with any person inside or outside of the country. Unlike the OPSC, however, it does not specifically prohibit the "offering," "obtaining," or "providing" of children for prostitution. The Penal Code also defines as rape sexual intercourse with a child under 18 years of age, regardless of consent; however, there is an exception to this provision if the woman is the wife of the offender and is fifteen or more years of age and not separated from the man. This provision is also limited to an offense perpetrated by a male person against a girl or woman. Article 138B of the Sexual Offences Special Provisions Act of 1998 also prohibits the giving of monetary consideration, goods or other benefits to a child or his/her parents with the intent to procure the child for sexual intercourse or any form of sexual abuse or indecent exhibition or show.

Addressing child prostitution more specifically, Article 83 of the Law of the Child prohibits the sexual exploitation of children, stating that “a child shall not be engaged in any work or trade that exposes the child to activities of a sexual nature, whether paid or not.” To clarify some of these “activities” the law states that it is “unlawful for any person to use children in prostitution or other unlawful sexual practices.”

Article 141 of the Penal Code was amended by the Law of the Child Act to say “any person who, being the owner or occupier of premises or having or acting or assisting in the management or control thereof, induces or knowingly suffers any woman under the age of fifteen years (deleted) to resort to or be upon those premises for the purpose of sexual intercourse with any man…commits an offence.” Article 142 was amended to say “any person who, being the owner or occupier of premises or having or acting or assisting in the management or control thereof, induces or knowingly suffers any woman above the age of fifteen years and under the age of eighteen (deleted sixteen) years to resort to or be upon the premises for the purpose of unlawful sexual intercourse with a man…commits an offence.”

While these legislative changes are an important first step in increasing protection for children against commercial sexual exploitation, without proper implementation through the prosecution and conviction of perpetrators, they will not fulfill this protection objective. Only one woman in Mikocheni, Dar es Salaam, was prosecuted for harbouring young girls and the case is still ongoing after almost five years. There have been no convictions.

Under Article 3(a) of the UN Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons Especially Women and Children (UN Trafficking Protocol), trafficking in persons is defined as the “recruitment, transportation, transfer, harbouring or receipt of persons, by means of the threat or use of force or other forms of coercion, of abduction, of fraud, of deception, of the abuse of power or of a position of vulnerability or of the giving or receiving of payment or benefits to achieve the consent of a person having control over another person, for the purpose of exploitation. Exploitation shall include, at a
minimum, the exploitation of the prostitution of others or other forms of sexual exploitation, forced labour or services, slavery or practices similar to slavery, servitude or the removal of organs.\textsuperscript{227}

The article in Tanzania’s Penal Code regarding the offence of trafficking was repealed by the \textit{Anti-Trafficking in Persons Act 2008} (applicable to both the Mainland and Zanzibar), which provides a more detailed, comprehensive definition of the offence of trafficking in persons. Article 4(1) of the \textit{Anti-Trafficking in Persons Act} states that the offence of trafficking in persons is committed when a person “recruits, transports, transfers, harbours, provides or receives a person by any means, including those done under the pretext of domestic or overseas employment, training or apprenticeship, for the purpose of prostitution, pornography, sexual exploitation, forced labour, slavery, involuntary servitude or debt bondage.”\textsuperscript{228} Under Article 5(1), the promotion, procurement, or facilitation of the commission of trafficking is also prohibited.\textsuperscript{229} This amended definition demonstrates Tanzania’s integration of the UN Trafficking Protocol into domestic legislation. While there is no definition regarding child trafficking specifically, the Act addresses “severe trafficking” which carries a heavier penalty when the trafficked person is a child. Also, the consent of the child, parent or guardian cannot be used as a defence by the offender.\textsuperscript{230}

The \textit{Anti-Trafficking in Persons Act} prohibits the prosecution of trafficked persons\textsuperscript{231} and both Article 24 of the \textit{Anti-Trafficking Act} and Article 16 of the \textit{Law of the Child Act} provide for the care and protection of trafficked persons by the government.\textsuperscript{232} Under the \textit{Anti-Trafficking Act}, this includes establishing, implementing and coordinating preventive, protective and rehabilitative programmes for trafficked persons.\textsuperscript{233} Specifically, it is the responsibility of different government ministries to provide counselling and temporary shelter to trafficked persons; monitor, document and report cases of trafficking in persons; ensure the prompt prosecutions of persons involved in trafficking offences; and establish a mechanism for free legal assistance for victims of trafficking in persons.\textsuperscript{234} Neither Act, however, contains measures specifically addressing the care and protection of child victims.

Part VI of the \textit{Anti-Trafficking Act} mandates the establishment of an Anti-Trafficking Committee that will be responsible for “defining, promoting and coordinating the policy of the government for prevention and control of trafficking in persons.”\textsuperscript{235} In December 2011, the Ministry of Home Affairs established the National Anti-Trafficking Committee,\textsuperscript{236} comprised of 19 members from various government institutions on the Mainland and Zanzibar.\textsuperscript{237} The Committee was charged with preparing regulations specifying each member’s responsibilities and developing new strategies in an attempt to end trafficking.\textsuperscript{238} The Committee does not specifically address child trafficking, only trafficking in general. However, when the Committee was first launched, the Minister for Home Affairs recognised the importance of focusing efforts on combating child trafficking.\textsuperscript{239}

In 2011, the Tanzanian government initiated four prosecutions involving five suspects under its \textit{Anti-Trafficking in Persons Act} and authorities investigated six suspected trafficking cases under the 2008 Act.\textsuperscript{240} As of March 2012, one case had been closed, one remained under investigation, and four were being prosecuted.\textsuperscript{241} There were no convictions of trafficking offenders in 2011, compared to three convictions in 2010.\textsuperscript{242} In 2011, NGOs reported an increase in police responsiveness in reporting suspected trafficking cases with 22 referrals of trafficking victims to NGOs for protective services, an increase over the previous year.\textsuperscript{243} Social welfare officers referred 12 victims compared to zero victims referred the year before.\textsuperscript{244} IOM provided services to 47 trafficking victims, 40 of whom were younger than 18.\textsuperscript{245}
Despite these efforts, the two-person police trafficking desk, which was established to work with counterparts in other law enforcement agencies to respond to trafficking crimes, received only two complaints of trafficking in 2011. The government’s 24-hour crime hotline, which was available for citizens to report suspected trafficking cases received no trafficking tips, and the government made no progress in compiling trafficking-specific law enforcement and victim protection data at the national level, relying instead on IOM for data collection related to trafficking victims.246 The government’s efforts to protect trafficking victims suffered from a lack of resources and, as a result, key protection provisions of the Anti-Trafficking in Persons Act, like the fund to support trafficking victims, were not implemented.247 The government also continued to rely principally on NGOs, mostly located in urban areas, to provide care for victims.248

The OPSC defines child pornography as “any representation, by whatever means, of a child engaged in real or simulated explicit sexual activities or any representation of the sexual parts of a child for primarily sexual purposes” and Article 3(1)(c) prohibits producing, distributing, disseminating, importing, exporting, offering, selling or possessing child pornography.249

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Tanzania’s Penal Code prohibits making, producing, or having in one’s possession for the purpose of or by way of trade or for the purpose of distribution or public exhibition, any “obscene writing, drawing, print, painting, printed matter, picture, poster, emblem, photograph, cinematograph film or any other obscene object or other object tending to corrupt morals.”250 This definition is not fully in line with the OPSC however, as it does not specifically address child pornography. Tanzania does not criminalise simple possession (knowing possession regardless of intent to distribute)251 or the intentional viewing of child pornography through the use of ICTs. Furthermore it does not address the exporting, importing or offering of child pornography. It should also be noted that the term “obscene” is subjective and open to various interpretations by law enforcers.

Article 83(2)(c) of the Law of the Child states that it is unlawful for any person to use children in pornographic performances or materials and Article 158(1)(b) states that no person shall “publish, produce, show or cause to be published, produced or showed a photograph or a picture of a child or a dead child containing brutal violence or in a pornographic posture.”252

Section 110(2) of the Zanzibar Children’s Act 2011 protects children from accessing pornographic information and makes it an offence to possess, for any purpose, or to access through the internet or any other communications technology, child pornography or to produce, distribute, disseminate, including through the internet, import, export, offer, advertise or sell child pornography.253

According to the Tanzanian government, the ministries responsible for communication ensure that all service providers of internet services comply with the requirements
and guidelines issued by communication committees.\textsuperscript{254} However, despite this legislation criminalising child pornography offences, Tanzania does not have such legislation regarding computer-facilitated child exploitation offences\textsuperscript{255} and does not make it mandatory for ISPs to report suspected child pornography to the authorities.\textsuperscript{256}

While there is no specific legislation in Tanzania addressing the sexual exploitation of children in tourism, there are legal provisions that are relevant to the issue, including laws on extra-territorial jurisdiction, extradition, and dual criminality.

Article 4.1 of the OPSC addresses “territorial jurisdiction” and states that each State Party should take measures to establish jurisdiction over offences committed in its territory.\textsuperscript{257} According to KIWOHEDE, foreign tourists/travellers can be prosecuted in Tanzania for CSEC crimes committed in Tanzania and Zanzibar,\textsuperscript{258} but there is no evidence that any prosecutions have taken place.

Article 4 of the OPSC also addresses the importance of establishing jurisdiction over offences committed against children outside one’s own country.\textsuperscript{259}

Mainland Tanzania’s Penal Code provides for extra-territorial jurisdiction in Article 6, stating that the jurisdiction of the courts extends to, \textit{inter alia}, “any offence committed by a citizen of Mainland Tanzania in any place outside Mainland Tanzania.”\textsuperscript{260} Article 6 of Zanzibar’s Penal Code allows for similar jurisdiction for offences committed partly within and partly beyond its jurisdiction.\textsuperscript{261}

Tanzania’s Extradition Act recognises child prostitution and child pornography as extraditable offences\textsuperscript{262} and Article 36 of the \textit{Anti-Trafficking in Persons Act} states that a non-citizen of Tanzania who commits the offence of trafficking in persons shall be the subject of extradition proceedings under the \textit{Extradition Act}.\textsuperscript{263} However, extradition is not an option when the victim is Tanzanian and the offence is committed abroad,\textsuperscript{264} in contradiction to Article 4(2)(b) of the OPSC.\textsuperscript{265}

As a party to the Southern African Development Community (SADC) \textit{Protocol on Extradition}, Tanzania has an obligation to incorporate the provisions of this instrument into its domestic legislation, including the addition of new extraditable offences, such as the trafficking of persons.\textsuperscript{266} According to the Committee on the Rights of the Child in 2008, Tanzania’s \textit{Extradition Act} was in the process of being reviewed.\textsuperscript{267}

Dual criminality is a requirement for extradition in Tanzania,\textsuperscript{268} as well as for the implementation of Article 6 of the Penal Code regarding extra-territorial jurisdiction. This may pose a significant obstacle to the prosecution of travelling child sex offenders due to the discrepancy in legal protections for children worldwide.\textsuperscript{269}

In Tanzania, extradition is conditional on the existence of treaties or reciprocal backing of warrants for contiguous countries with reciprocal provisions/arrangements.\textsuperscript{270} According to Article 5 of the OPSC, the offences referred to under the OPSC shall be included as extraditable offences in any extradition treaty existing between States Parties.\textsuperscript{271} Furthermore, “if a State Party that makes extradition conditional on the existence of a treaty receives a request for extradition from another State Party with which it has no extradition treaty, it may consider the [OPSC] to be a legal basis for extradition in respect of such offences.”\textsuperscript{272}
In 2009, the Department of Social Welfare working with UNICEF undertook an assessment in seven districts of Tanzania’s child protection system. Results of the assessment showed that measures to prevent and respond to violence, exploitation and neglect were either weak or nonexistent at national, district and/or community levels. As a result, one recommendation was “to establish a coherent child protection system at all levels, with clear roles and responsibilities and a structured case management system.” In response to this recommendation, in 2011, models of a comprehensive child protection system were established in four districts in Tanzania in an effort to begin building a national multi-sectoral response to child abuse, violence and exploitation. As of 2012, mapping of the child protection system was in place, as was a strategy document; priorities were identified as was a financing mechanism. However, there was no coordination body in place and the child protection system was not costed.

The Tanzania Police Force has established Gender and Children’s Desks in police stations in these same districts to handle cases of violence against women and children. According to the Tanzanian government, law enforcement has been trained to staff these Desks in 193 out of 366 police stations on the Mainland and the expansion of the Desks nationwide to all districts is planned to be completed by 2013. It is unclear at this time if these Desks have been properly staffed with sufficient resources and what, if any, effect they have had on victims of CSEC.

Zanzibar’s MSYWYCD established a Child Protection Unit in 2010 to address issues of child abuse and neglect. The Child Protection Unit has developed, inter alia, National Guidelines for the Protection and Welfare of Children, and a One Stop Centre under the Ministry of Health dealing with child victims of violence that provides access to law enforcement, lawyers, counselling, and doctors.

On the Mainland, Tanzania’s government, working with UNHCR, has established a mechanism for dealing with, treating, and reintegrating child victims of armed conflict. However, it appears there is no such mechanism addressing child victims of commercial sexual exploitation.

Strategies for the recovery and reintegration of victims of CSEC should contain immediate and long-term policies. Immediate support services can include medical and psychological care, and provision of adequate shelter and legal assistance; long-term assistance could include reintegration into school, return to the family or community when possible, and concrete plans for social and economic rehabilitation and reintegration. In relation to child victims who have been trafficked into Tanzania from other countries, it is important to have specific procedures in place that are in the best interests of the child, such as access to care and repatriation.

Part VIII of the Law of the Child Act 2009 provides for general support services for a child by local government authorities and requires social welfare and police officers, within the area of a local government authority, to investigate all cases of violations of a child’s rights.
Tanzania’s *Anti-Trafficking in Persons Act* provides for the rescue, rehabilitation and protection of trafficking victims. Article 17 states that the “social rehabilitation of rescued victims shall be carried out by social welfare officers for the purpose of reinstating the victim back into a normal way of life and may include provision of legal assistance and material assistance, psychological, medical and professional rehabilitation, employment and a dwelling place.” The Commissioner for Social Welfare is responsible for counselling victims of trafficking to assist in their rehabilitation and re-integration.

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288 Article 19(1) of the *Anti-Trafficking Act* states that the government is responsible for securing “the protection, rehabilitation and assistance to a victim of trafficking in persons who is a child . . . from the moment when grounds exist to believe that the child . . . is such a victim until identification, integration and complete recovery of the child is procured.”

289 Article 20 stipulates that the government shall establish protection and assistance centres for victims of trafficking that provide accommodation, nutrition, legal assistance, psychological and medical care, security and protection, and assistance to locate relatives of the victim.

290 Article 22 allows for the repatriation of foreign child victims of trafficking to their country of origin if a parent, relative or legal guardian has given consent and a government or child protection agency in the country of origin has given consent and is able to take responsibility for the child.

291 Although this specific legislation in the *Anti-Trafficking Act* addressing the treatment, rehabilitation, and reintegration of child trafficking victims is important, it is unclear how many of these provisions have been implemented in practice.

292 Tanzania’s government has cited to a Programme for Withdrawal, Rehabilitation and Reintegration of child commercial sex workers, operating since 1999 in three regions on the Mainland and supported by ILO/ IPEC. The Programme focused on vulnerable children between 7-17 years old and, as of 2003, had withdrawn 1200 children involved in commercial sexual exploitation. The first phase of the National Time Bound Programme (TBP) involving ILO and KIWOHEDE started in 2003 and ended in 2009, and by that time, KIWOHEDE had withdrawn 5000 children and prevented 8000 children from being commercially sexually exploited. Since 2010, KIWOHEDE has continued to support girls in prostitution from other sources of funding, and 1700 girls have been reached by the programme.

293 A One Stop Centre was established at the National Hospital in Zanzibar that provides counselling, legal help and medical care to...
child abuse victims. Three more Centres are being piloted in Magu, Temeke and Hai in an effort to expand services for children. KIWOHEDE runs a rehabilitation centre in Tanzania that houses survivors of CSEC and vulnerable children. Children are provided with counselling, peer-to-peer support and vocational training and are given a loan at the end of their rehabilitation. As of 2009, KIWOHEDE worked in 10 of the 156 districts in Tanzania and had 1500 children in its centres. KIWOHEDE has reported that, as of 2009, it has helped over 36,000 children.

KIWOHEDE Action Programme

With the support of ILO/IPEC, KIWOHEDE implemented a yearlong action programme in February 2009, the second phase of the National TBP, carried out in 16 wards of the proposed districts of Arusha, Kinondoni, Ilala and Temeke. The aim was to protect 1000 children from commercial sexual exploitation through prevention, withdrawal and rehabilitation. During the intervention, 1203 children ages 9-18 were identified, 703 were withdrawn from prostitution, and 500 were identified for prevention. Some of the programme activities included: community mobilisation through meetings, workshops, and trainings; counselling; providing educational and vocational training; and providing working tools and school equipment.

There are other organisations that focus on legal services, education, and small donations and services like health care, counselling and life skills for exploited children. These organisations include the National Organisation for Legal Aid (NOLA), Kivulini Women’s Rights Organisation, Legal and Human Rights Center (LHRC), Tanzanian Women and Children Welfare Center (TWCWC), and the Zanzibar Association for Children’s Advancement (ZACA).

Training law enforcement personnel

In order to effectively enforce the laws and policies preventing and prohibiting CSEC, it is essential that Tanzania has well trained law enforcement officials, who are knowledgeable about children’s rights issues and child protection mechanisms. There have been reports that the police can be part of the problem regarding commercially sexually exploited children’s access to protection and rehabilitation. For example, IPEC reported in its Rapid Assessment Survey that 84% of girls involved in prostitution in Tanzania have been beaten, raped or tortured by police officers and sungu sungu (local community guards). Additionally, many law enforcement officials lack the technical knowledge on child rights and protection, as well as physical resources.

In November 2012, representatives from Tanzania attended the International Bureau for Children’s Rights’ Fourth Workshop on the Integration of the Six Core Competencies on Child-Friendly Policing into the Training and Practices of Police Officers and Gendarmes in Africa, the Middle-East and Haiti. Tanzania had developed child protection modules for training of police officers, which were tested in April 2012 through a trainers’ training course of 16 instructors from four police academies. The modules were then submitted to the Tanzania Police Force to conduct further training sessions.
purpose of Tanzania’s involvement in the Workshop was to review the modules to fill any gaps and to ensure follow-up so that the modules are incorporated into police academy curriculum.\textsuperscript{308}

According to the government, training on child rights is offered in all Tanzanian Police Academies as well as by development partners and NGOs, such as UN-WOMEN, UNICEF, and Save the Children, among others.\textsuperscript{309} This training on child rights at the Police Academies is integrated into a general human rights course\textsuperscript{310} and it is unclear if there is any focus specifically on CSEC issues.

A training manual created for Police Gender and Children Desk officers covers, \textit{inter alia}, international/national standards on gender-based violence and child abuse, understanding child development, interviewing child witnesses, and understanding issues facing children who are victims of abuse.\textsuperscript{311} Although Tanzania recognises sexual exploitation as one of the most common crimes committed against children,\textsuperscript{312} the CRC, the OPSC, and CSEC issues do not appear to be a focus of this training manual.

In 2008, together with IOM Tanzania, the government established the Tanzania Regional Immigration Training Academy.\textsuperscript{313} The Academy coordinates and provides training courses in counter-trafficking and smuggling of migrants for immigration officials from the five EAC countries: Tanzania, Kenya, Rwanda, Uganda and Burundi.\textsuperscript{314}

\textbf{CHILD AND YOUTH PARTICIPATION}

Article 12(1) of the CRC assures children the right to express their own views in all matters affecting them.\textsuperscript{315} All children are capable of expressing an opinion, meaning that there is no minimum age requirement imposed on the exercise of the right to participate.\textsuperscript{316} Thus, the right extends to any child who has a view on a matter of concern to them.\textsuperscript{317} Children have the right to express their views freely; for this to be possible, it is necessary for adults to create the opportunities for children to do so.\textsuperscript{318} That is to say, Article 12 of the CRC imposes an obligation on adults in their capacity as parents, professionals and politicians to ensure that children are enabled and encouraged to contribute their views on all relevant matters.\textsuperscript{319} Children have the right to be heard in all matters affecting them – in the family, in school, in local communities, and at the national political level.\textsuperscript{320} Children also have the right to have their views taken seriously.\textsuperscript{321} Article 12 insists that children’s views be given weight and that they be used to inform decisions made about them.\textsuperscript{322} Children have the right to participate in accordance with their age and maturity, meaning that the weight that must be given to children’s views needs to reflect their level of understanding of the issues involved.\textsuperscript{323}

Article 11 of the \textit{Law of the Child} states that a child has “a right of opinion and no person shall deprive a child capable of forming views the right to express an opinion, to be listened to and to participate in decisions which affect his well-being.”\textsuperscript{324} Article 5 of Zanzibar’s \textit{Children’s Act} states that “views expressed by the child may be given due consideration.”\textsuperscript{325}

Tanzania’s government has included child participation objectives in national policies such as MKUKUTA, the Youth Development Policy 2007, and the Child Development Policy 2008.\textsuperscript{326}

The Tanzanian government has reportedly established Children’s Councils in every municipality, represented in the National Children’s Council\textsuperscript{327} or Baraza la Watoto, established in 2002. In Zanzibar, the
The government has reportedly established approximately 130 Children’s Councils in all districts in Unguja and Pemba, consisting of children above the age of 15. The children involved in these Councils have participated in the formation of the National Child Status Reports in 2010 and 2011.

Despite these efforts to recognise child participation, the implementation of these policies and Councils and the level of actual child participation in Tanzania remain unclear. While some reports suggest that the National Children’s Council has made an impact, the Committee on the Rights of the Child expressed concern that the Council has not been integrated into the decision-making process at central or local levels and that there continues to be no formalised structure of participation for children. Some sub-councils across the country have had great success in involving children, but many of these are sustained by civil society organisations.

The government, in collaboration with Plan International, runs a children’s programme called “Jukwaa la Watoto” (Children’s Platform) which promotes children’s expression of their opinions on child sexual abuse, child labour, and other issues directly affecting them.

A national child participation toolkit developed by the MCDGC was created in 2011 to provide practical guidance notes and facilitation methods to interact with children and the National Strategy for Child Participation has been adopted and documents have been distributed and disseminated. Despite these efforts, however, without a formalised national structure, it has been difficult for child participation to take effect in a comprehensive manner.

In 2011, the Constitution Review Act was passed and established the Constitutional Review Commission which was charged with preparing a draft of a new Constitution; the Commission hoped to have reviews of the draft collected by late 2013. KIWOHEDE is working with children in the current Constitution reform processes in 12 districts. This could provide an opportunity to incorporate into Tanzania’s new Constitution the right of children to express their own views in all matters affecting them.
While efforts have been made to create a National Plan of Action to combat CSEC in Tanzania, it has not yet been adopted. In order to effectively and efficiently combat CSEC in Tanzania, the adoption and endorsement of a NPA on CSEC should be prioritised.

Ensure that Most Vulnerable Children’s Committees are properly supported and funded in order to properly aid in the implementation of NPAs at the local level, such as the National Costed Plan of Action for Most Vulnerable Children.

Due to the fact that there is a lack of statistical data on CSEC issues in Tanzania, the formation of a central database to record violations of child rights, especially regarding CSEC issues, as well as statistical data discovered from studies/research on CSEC issues, should be finalised and implemented by the government, with the support of other relevant stakeholders, such as local NGOs.

Continue and strengthen the role of the National Inter-Sectoral Committee on Child Labour, especially in regards to its mandate to oversee child commercial sex work initiatives. The meetings of the National Inter-Sectoral Committee on Child Labour do not follow the calendar; changes of chair persons at the prime minister’s office reduce the level of consistency of agendas; and there is inadequate funding to support project visits by committee members.

Include CSEC issues in the educational curriculum, as well as sex-education and children and women’s rights.

Poverty is one of the major contributing factors to sexual exploitation. There are programmes in place now in Tanzania working to, inter alia, reduce poverty, improve education, and eliminate child labour. These programmes include the UN Development Assistance Plan 2011-2015, the National Strategy for Growth and Reduction of Poverty II, and the Zanzibar Strategy for Growth and Poverty Reduction 2010-2015. The last two plans are meant to contribute to the government’s National Development Vision of 2025. Nevertheless, there is much work to be done in the area of poverty reduction in Tanzania. Programmes designed to improve families’ capacities to generate income legitimately should be enhanced.

Although significant efforts have been made to reduce poverty levels, especially among children, a long-term comprehensive plan should be formulated and implemented to address the large number of street children in Tanzania, who are particularly vulnerable to commercial sexual exploitation.

In the Addendum to the Human Rights Council’s Report of the Working Group on the Universal Periodic Review in 2012, the United Republic of Tanzania responded to the recommendation on establishing the minimum age for marriage at 18: “The minimum age of marriage crosses...
traditional, cultural and religious practices. The matter will be taken to the people for public opinion and a white paper charting the exercise is in due process.” In order to properly protect children from becoming victims of sexual exploitation, it is important for Tanzania and Zanzibar to amend their marriage laws so that the minimum age for marriage for both boys and girls is 18.

Deterrence measures must be implemented to reduce the demand for CSEC, starting with the strict enforcement of punishments of the offenders and not the victims.

Awareness-raising campaigns on the issues of human trafficking and exploitation of children have increased in Tanzania, but there has been very little emphasis in these campaigns on the issues of child pornography and sexual exploitation of children in tourism. These issues, while sensitive to many, should be addressed and awareness of their existence and their negative effects on children exposed, in order to better protect children from exploitation.

Although Tanzania has prioritised budgeting for children’s issues in the past, the government should ensure that a portion of this funding is directed at CSEC issues specifically.

Further research/studies should be conducted to follow up on the study done on violence against children. New research should be conducted on more specific groups of children, such as street children and/or victims of CSEC and its root causes.

The National ICT Policy of Tanzania should be amended to ensure that issues related to the online protection of children are an integral part of the document.

Approve the draft National Social Protection Framework to have a comprehensive national system of social protection of most vulnerable groups.

The police need to take sexual exploitation seriously, especially when it concerns children. More specifically, the following measures need attention:

- training in investigative techniques and interviewing skills;
- the availability of sufficient resources for the police and judicial system;
- examples of best practices within the police should be upheld and promoted;
- policing priorities should be amended to include child exploitation;
- knowledge about legal provisions should be bolstered as a means of improving law enforcement;
- emphasis should be placed on punishing the perpetrators of crimes against children and not the children themselves.

The passage of new legislation and the formation of new NPAs on children’s rights issues, especially CSEC issues, are extremely important and encouraging. However, it is vital to ensure that legislation such as Tanzania’s Law of the Child Act 2009 and Zanzibar’s Children’s Act 2011 are implemented by providing for a monitoring framework and regulations assigning roles and responsibilities to government ministries.

Finalise and implement a child protection system that defines clear roles and responsibilities of relevant stakeholders to more effectively prevent and respond to the exploitation of children.
Ensure the provisions of the Anti-Trafficking in Persons Act regarding support, counselling, rehabilitation, and reintegration of child victims are implemented.

Consider implementing a mechanism similar to the one established by the government and UNHCR to treat and reintegrate child victims of armed conflict for all victims of CSEC.

The facilities and capabilities of NGOs that provide protection as well as recovery measures for social reintegration and physical/psychological recovery to exploited children should be enlarged in urban areas and expanded to non-urban areas as well.

Constitutionalise child participation in order to establish a formalised structure of child participation in Tanzania.

Develop and promote guidelines, practice standards, and training materials to promote best practices.\(^{341}\)
The Rio de Janeiro Declaration and Call for Action to Prevent and Stop Sexual Exploitation of Children and Adolescents*

We call on all States, with the support of international organizations and civil society, including NGOs, the private sector, adolescents and young people to establish and implement robust frameworks for the protection of children and adolescents from all forms of sexual exploitation, and we call upon them to:

I - International and Regional Instruments


(2) Continue working towards ratification of relevant regional instruments, including as appropriate the African Charter on the Rights and Welfare of the Child, the ASEAN Charter, the Inter-American Conventions on International Traffic in Minors and on the Prevention, Punishment and Eradication of Violence against Women, the SAARC Convention on Preventing and Combating Trafficking in Women and Children for Prostitution, and the Council of Europe Conventions on Action against Trafficking in Human Beings, on Cybercrime and on the Protection of Children against Sexual Exploitation and Sexual Abuse, conventions which can be ratified by States that are non-members of the Council of Europe.

(3) State Parties should take all necessary measures to implement the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography, taking into due accounts the conclusions and the recommendations of the Committee on the Rights of the Child in the context of its review of State Parties' reports. All countries are encouraged to use this as an important reference.

II – Forms of Sexual Exploitation and Its New Scenarios

Child pornography/child abuse images

(4) Criminalize the intentional production, distribution, receipt and possession of child pornography, including virtual

images and the sexually exploitative representation of children, as well as the intentional consumption, access and viewing of such materials where there has been no physical contact with a child; legal liability should be extended to entities such as corporations and companies in case the responsibility for or involvement in the production and/or dissemination of materials.

(5) Undertake specific and targeted actions to prevent and stop child pornography and the use of the Internet and new technologies for the grooming of children into online and off-line abuse and for the production and dissemination of child pornography and other materials. Victim identification, support and care by specialized staff should be made a high priority.

(6) Conduct educational and awareness-raising campaigns focusing on children, parents, teachers, youth organizations and others working with and for children with a view to improve their understanding of the risks of sexually exploitative use of the Internet, mobile telephones and other new technologies, including information for children on how to protect themselves, how to get help and to report incidences of child pornography and online sexual exploitation.

(7) Take the necessary legislative measures to require Internet service providers, mobile phone companies, search engines and other relevant actors to report and remove child pornography websites and child sexual abuse images, and develop indicators to monitor results and enhance efforts.

(8) Call upon Internet service providers, mobile phone companies, Internet cafes and other relevant actors to develop and implement voluntary Codes of Conduct and other corporate social responsibility mechanisms together with the development of legal tools for enabling the adoption of child protection measures in these businesses.

(9) Call upon financial institutions to undertake actions to trace and stop the flow of financial transactions undertaken through their services which facilitate access to child pornography.

(10) Set up a common list of websites, under the auspices of Interpol, containing sexual abuse images, based on uniform standards, whose access will be blocked; the list has to be continuously updated, exchanged on international level, and be used by the provider to perform the access blocking.

(11) Undertake research and development, in the realm of the private sector, of robust technologies to identify images taken with electronic digital devices and trace and retract them to help identify the perpetrators.

(12) Promote public/private partnerships to enhance the research and development of robust technologies to investigate and to trace the victims with a view to immediately stop their exploitation and provide them with all the necessary support for full recovery.

(13) Make technologies easily available, affordable and usable for parents and other caregivers, including to assist with the use of filters to block inappropriate and harmful images of children.

Sexual exploitation of children and adolescents in prostitution

(14) Address the demand that leads to children being prostituted by making
the purchase of sex or any form of transaction to obtain sexual services from a child a criminal transaction under criminal law, even when the adult is unaware of the child’s age.

(15) Provide specialized and appropriate health care for children who have been exploited in prostitution, and support child centered local models of recovery, social work systems, realistic economic alternatives and cooperation among programmes for holistic response.

Sexual exploitation of children and adolescents in travel and tourism.

(16) Encourage and support the tourism, travel and hotel sectors in adopting professional Codes of Conduct, for example by joining and implementing the Code of Conduct for the Protection of Children from Sexual Exploitation in Travel and Tourism; encourage the use of businesses that put in place appropriate child protection-focused corporate social responsibility strategies; and/or provide other incentives for those participating.

(17) Ensure that all stakeholders pay specific attention to unregulated tourism to prevent domestic and international travellers from sexually exploiting children and adolescents.

(18) Cooperate in the establishment of an international travel notification system, such as the Interpol ‘green notice’ system, in accordance with applicable law and human rights standards.

(19) Ensure investigation and, where sufficient evidence exists, that appropriate charges are brought and vigorously pursued against the State’s nationals who are reported or alleged to have sexually exploited a child in a foreign country.

(20) Prohibit the production and dissemination of material advertising the sexual exploitation of children in tourism; and alert travellers to criminal sanctions that will apply in cases of sexual exploitation of children.

(21) Monitor new and emerging tourist destinations and establish proactive measures to work with private sector partners involved in the development of tourism services on measures to prevent the sexual exploitation of children and adolescents, including the use of socially and environmentally responsible strategies that promote equitable development.

Trafficking and the sexual exploitation of children and adolescents

(22) Mobilize communities, including children and adolescents with a view to engaging them in dialogue on and a critical review of social norms and practices and economic and social conditions that make children vulnerable to trafficking, and establish procedures that involve them in developing strategies and programmes where they participate, where appropriate, in the planning, implementation and monitoring of such programmes.

(23) Pilot and adapt or replicate successful models of community-based prevention and rehabilitation and reintegration programmes for child victims of trafficking.

(24) Establish policies and programmes that address not only cross-border but also internal trafficking of children and that include, among other elements, a standard operating procedure for the safe repatriation and return of children based on the child’s view and on a careful assessment of the needs and risks to the child of returning to her/his place of origin to ensure that the best interests of the child are taken into account.
(25) Continue strengthening cross-border and internal cooperation of law enforcement officials, for example by establishing coordinating units with a mandate to issue clear guidelines for child centered investigation of cases of trafficking of children and for treating trafficked children not as criminals but as victims in need of protection.

(26) Take legislative and other measures to ensure that a guardian is appointed without delay for every unaccompanied trafficked child, that an effective system of registration and documentation of all trafficked children is established, and that every trafficked child is provided with not only short-term protection but also with the necessary economic and psycho-social support for full and long-lasting recovery and social reintegration (in line with the UNICEF Guidelines on the Protection of Child Victims of Trafficking and UNHCR Guidelines on Formal Determination of the Best Interests of the Child).

(27) Undertake and/or support, with the involvement of civil society and children, the regular evaluation of programmes and policies to prevent and stop the trafficking of children and of legislation that may have a conducive impact on trafficking, for example laws on marriage, free education, adoption and migration, birth registration, accordance of citizenship, refugee or other status.

III – Legal Frameworks and Enforcement of the Law

(28) Define, prohibit and criminalize, in accordance with existing international human rights standards, all acts of sexual exploitation of children and adolescents in their jurisdiction, irrespective of any set age of consent or marriage or cultural practice, even when the adult is unaware of the child's age.

(29) Establish effective extraterritorial jurisdiction, abolishing the requirement of double criminality for offences of sexual exploitation of children and adolescents, and facilitate mutual legal assistance, in order to achieve effective prosecution of perpetrators and appropriate sanctions. Make all acts of sexual exploitation of children and adolescents an extraditable offence in existing or newly established extradition treaties.

(30) Designate a lead law enforcement agency, where appropriate to national circumstances, to proactively enforce extraterritorial laws related to sexual exploitation of children and adolescents.

(31) Ensure that child victims of sexual exploitation are not criminalized or punished for their acts directly related to their exploitation, but are given the status of victim in law and are treated accordingly.

(32) Establish special gender sensitive units/children's desks within police forces, involving when appropriate other professionals like health care and social workers and teachers, to address sexual crimes against children, and provide specialized training to judicial and law enforcement personnel.

(33) Address corruption in law enforcement and the judiciary, as well as other authorities with a duty of care to children, recognizing corruption as a major obstacle to effective law enforcement and protection for children.

(34) Establish and implement international, regional and national legal mechanisms and programmes for addressing sex offender behaviour and preventing recidivism, including through risk assessment and offender management programmes, the provision of voluntary extended and comprehensive rehabilitation services (in addition to but not in lieu of criminal sanctions
as appropriate), safe reintegration of convicted offenders and the collection and sharing of good practices and establish where appropriate sex offenders registers.

**IV – Integrated Cross-Sectoral Policies and National Plans of Action**

(35) Develop and implement comprehensive National Plans of Action on the sexual exploitation of children and adolescents, or include these in existing relevant planning frameworks, such as National Development Plans and ensure that these Plans are based in a cross-sectoral approach which brings all stakeholders together in a coherent and comprehensive framework for action. These Plans should incorporate gender-sensitive strategies, social protection measures and operational plans, with adequate monitoring and evaluation targeted resources and designated responsible actors, including civil society organizations for implementation of initiatives to prevent and stop the sexual exploitation of children and adolescents and provide support for child victims of sexual exploitation.

(36) Promote and support multi-sectoral policies and programmes, including community-based programmes, within the framework of a comprehensive national child protection system to address phenomena that contribute to the sexual exploitation of children and adolescents including, for example, discrimination (including on the basis of sex), harmful traditional practices, child marriage and social norms that condone sexual exploitation.

(37) Promote and fund meaningful child and youth participation at all levels in the design, monitoring and evaluation of policies and programmes, in campaigns and through peer-to-peer youth programmes, aimed at raising awareness and preventing the sexual exploitation and trafficking of children and adolescents.

(38) Initiate and support the collection and sharing of reliable information and cross-border cooperation, and contribute to databases on victims and perpetrators, to enhance assistance to children and address the demand for sex with children, in accordance with applicable laws.

**Prevention**

(39) Ensure that all children born on their territory are registered immediately and for free after their birth and pay special attention to not yet registered children and children at risk and in marginalized situations.

(40) Strengthen the role of educational institutions and staff to detect, denounce and help address sexual abuse and exploitation of children in all forms and sources.

(41) Emphasize prevention of sexual exploitation of children and adolescents, through e.g. awareness raising and educational campaigns, support for parents and eradication of poverty while reinforcing or establishing multi-sectoral referral mechanisms to provide comprehensive support and services to children who have been victimized in sexual exploitation.

(42) Support children to gain deeper knowledge of their own rights to be free from sexual exploitation, and the options available to help them to address abuse, so that they are empowered, with the partnership of adults, to end sexual exploitation.

(43) Engage children in meaningful and critical examination of changing contemporary values and norms and their potential to increase vulnerability.
to sexual exploitation; and promote education to enhance children's understanding of these issues in relation to sexual exploitation.

(44) Undertake research on contemporary patterns of socialization of boys and men across different contexts to identify factors that promote and strengthen boys' and men's respect for the rights of girls and women and engage them in action initiatives that inhibit and discourage them from engaging in sexual exploitation of children and adolescents.

Protection of the child

(45) Increase efforts to address the sexual exploitation of children and adolescents through the development of comprehensive and integrated national child protection systems, including the necessary budget allocations and based on identifications of settings where children are most at risk that aim to protect children from all forms of violence and abuse.

(46) Establish by 2013 an effective and accessible system for reporting, follow up and support for child victims of suspected or actual incidents of sexual exploitation, for example by instituting mandatory reporting for people in positions of responsibility for the welfare of children.

(47) Develop or enhance accessibility of existing telephone or web-based help lines, in particular for children in care and justice institutions, to encourage children and require care givers to confidentially report sexual exploitation and seek referral to appropriate services, and ensure that the operators of such reporting mechanisms are adequately trained and supervised.

(48) Strengthen existing national child protection services or establish new ones in order to provide all child victims of sexual exploitation, girls and boys, without discrimination, with the necessary economic and psychosocial support for their full physical and psychological recovery and social reintegration, and when appropriate, family reunification and interventions that support and strengthen families to mitigate the risk of further exploitation; such services to be provided by well trained multi-disciplinary teams of professionals.

(49) Ensure that these services are accessible, appropriately resourced, comprehensive, child- and gender-sensitive, and reach all children without discrimination of any kind, irrespective of the child's or his or her parent's or legal guardian's race, colour, sex (or orientation), and social origin and including children with disabilities, from ethnic minorities, indigenous or Aboriginal children, refugee or asylum-seeking and children in domestic service or living on the streets and children displaced by conflict or emergency situations.

(50) Develop programs that provide children of sex workers and children living in brothels with support and protection.

(51) Promote and defend the privacy of the child victims and child perpetrators of sexual exploitation, taking into account relevant national laws and procedures, to protect their identity in investigatory or court proceedings or from disclosure by the media and ensure that these proceedings are child friendly and allow the child to participate in a meaningful way in the process of bringing the perpetrator to justice.

(52) Ensure that children and adolescents exhibiting acts of sexual violence harmful to others receive appropriate care and attention as a first option through gender-sensitive and child-focused measures and programmes that balance their best interest with
due regard for the safety of others, and ensure compliance with the principle that depriving children of liberty should be pursued only as a measure of last resort, and ensure that those responsible for the care of such children are equipped with relevant and culturally appropriate training and skills.

V – International Cooperation

(53) Take all necessary steps to strengthen international cooperation by multilateral, regional and bilateral arrangements for the prevention, detection, investigation, prosecution and punishment of those responsible for acts of sexual exploitation of children and adolescents; and for the assistance of child victims in their physical and psychological recovery, social reintegration and, as appropriate, repatriation.

(54) Establish and/or improve by 2013 concrete mechanisms and/or processes to facilitate coordination at national, regional and international levels for enhanced cooperation among government ministries, funding bodies, UN agencies, NGOs, the private sector, workers’ and employers’ organizations, the media, children’s organizations and other representatives of civil society with a view to enabling and supporting concrete action to prevent and stop the sexual exploitation of children and adolescents.

(55) Strengthen and improve the effectiveness of existing regional mechanisms for exchange, coordination and monitoring of progress on child protection including against sexual exploitation in order to review progress and strengthen follow-up on the implementation of the recommendations made.

(56) Provide, when in a position to do so, financial, technical and other assistance through existing multilateral, regional, bilateral and other programmes for addressing the sexual exploitation of children and adolescents; and explore the potential of a fund for child and youth initiatives in this area.

(57) Develop, where appropriate with the support of UN agencies, NGOs, civil society organizations and the private sector, workers’ and employers’ organizations, policies and programmes to promote and support corporate social responsibility of enterprises operating inter alia in tourism, travel, transport and financial services, and of communication, media, Internet services, advertising and entertainment sectors; so that child-rights focused policies, standards and codes of conduct are implemented throughout the supply chain and include an independent monitoring mechanism.

(58) Support and contribute to the Interpol international child abuse images database and nominate a responsible national focal point person or unit to collect and update promptly national data on sexual exploitation of children and adolescents, and systematically share this information with Interpol in order to support cross-border (international) law enforcement action and strengthen its effectiveness, and adopt multilateral agreements especially for police investigation work.

(59) Undertake national and international coordinated measures to curb and stop the involvement of organized crime
in commercial sexual exploitation of children and bring persons and/or legal entities responsible for this form of organized crime to justice.

VI – Social Responsibility Initiatives

We encourage the private sector, employers’ and workers’ organizations, to proactively engage in all efforts to prevent and stop the sexual exploitation of children and adolescents, and to use their knowhow, human and financial resources, networks, structures and leveraging power to:

(60) Integrate child protection, including the prevention of sexual exploitation of children, into new or existing corporate social responsibility policies of enterprises operating inter alia in tourism, travel, transport, agriculture and financial services, and of communication, media, Internet services, advertising and entertainment sectors, and ensure appropriate implementation of such policies and widespread public awareness.

(61) Incorporate the prevention and protection of children from sexual exploitation in human resources policies, such as Codes of Conduct and other corporate social responsibility mechanisms throughout the supply chain.

(62) Join efforts with Governments, UN agencies, national and international NGOs, and other stakeholders to prevent the production and dissemination of child pornography, including virtual images and the sexually exploitative representation of children, and stop the use of the Internet and new technologies for the grooming of children into online and off-line abuse; undertake actions to trace and stop the flow of financial transactions for sexual exploitation of children through the services of financial institutions; support efforts to address the demand for sexual exploitation of children in prostitution and the strengthening of services for children victims and their families, including the establishment of accessible telephone or web-based help lines; and provide support for educational and awareness-raising campaigns targeting children, parents, teachers, youth organizations and others working with and for children, on the risks of sexual exploitation of children, sexually exploitative use of the Internet, mobile phones and other new technologies as well as on protective measures.

VII – Monitoring

(63) Establish by 2013 independent children’s rights institutions such as children’s ombudspersons or equivalents or focal points on children’s rights in existing human rights institutions or general ombudsperson offices, highlighting the importance for States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child of General Comment No 2 of the Committee on the Rights of the Child; these bodies should play a key role in the independent monitoring of actions taken for the prevention of sexual exploitation of children and adolescents, protection of children from such exploitation and the restoration of the rights of sexually exploited children, in advocating for effective legal frameworks and enforcement and
in ensuring, where necessary, that child victims have effective remedies and redress, including the possibility of filing complaints before these institutions.

We encourage the Committee on the Rights of the Child to:

(64) Persevere with reviewing progress of States Parties’ fulfilment of their obligations to uphold the right of children to protection from sexual exploitation and pay special attention to the recommendations in the Rio Call for Action in its examination of reports under the Convention on the Rights of the Child and its Optional Protocols.

(65) Adopt as a matter of priority a General Comment on the right of the child to protection from sexual exploitation, trafficking for sexual purposes, and the abduction and sale of children, including detailed guidance to States on the development, implementation and enforcement of national legislation and policies in this regard.

(66) Continue to work with the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights in protecting child rights, and raising awareness of relevant international and regional human rights mechanisms.

We encourage other United Nations human rights treaty bodies, special procedures of the Human Rights Council and special representatives of the United Nations Secretary-General, as well as regional human rights mechanisms, to:

(67) Pay particular attention to combating the sexual exploitation of children and adolescents, within their respective mandates and during their examination of State Parties' reports, country visits, in their thematic work and/or other activities.

We urge the Human Rights Council to:

(68) Ensure that the Universal Periodic Review process includes rigorous examination of States’ fulfilment of their obligations to children, including preventing and stopping the sexual exploitation of children and adolescents and to respectfully the rights of child victims of such exploitation.

We urge the yet-to-be-appointed Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Violence against Children, the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict, the Special Rapporteur on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography and the Special Rapporteur on Trafficking in Persons, especially in Women and Children, together with other appropriate mandate holders and in collaboration with the Committee on the Rights of the Child, to:

(69) Work together to avoid duplication and to maximise their impact in preventing and stopping the sexual exploitation of children and adolescents and, through their work, map experiences in the area of prevention and response to sexual exploitation of children and assess their effectiveness.

We encourage UN agencies, NGOs and human rights institutions to:

(70) Support and provide information on the extent of and responses to sexual exploitation of children and adolescents to these bodies.

(71) Work with the media to enhance their role in education and empowerment, and in protecting children from sexual exploitation, and to mitigate the harmful potential of the media, including
through the sexualization of children in advertising.

We call on international financial institutions such as the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund to:

(72) Review their current macro-economic and poverty reduction strategies with a view to counteracting any negative social impact on children and their families, including loan conditionality which essentially limits social services and access to rights and minimizing the risk for children to sexual exploitation.

We call on religious communities to:

(73) Reject, in the light of their consensus about the inherent dignity of every person, including children, all forms of violence against children including sexual exploitation of children and adolescents and establish, in that regard, multi-religious cooperation and partnership with other key stakeholders such as governments, children’s organizations, UN agencies, NGOs, media and the private sector using their moral authority, social influence and leadership to guide communities in ending sexual exploitation of children and adolescents.

C. Call for Action

(1) We commit ourselves to the most effective follow-up to this Call for Action:

- At the national level, inter alia, by biennial public reporting on the measures taken for the implementation of the Rio Declaration and Call for Action and promoting/initiating discussions on the progress made and the remaining challenges to named responsible mechanisms for monitoring implementation while also integrating such requirements into State reporting to the Committee on the Rights of the Child.

- At the international level, by encouraging and supporting coordinated actions by the relevant human rights treaty bodies, special procedures of the Human Rights Council and Special Representatives of the Secretary-General of the United Nations with a view to maintaining awareness of the Rio Declaration and Call for Action and promoting its implementation.

(2) Encourage the private sector to join the United Nations Global Compact and communicate their implementation progress with regard to addressing the sexual exploitation of children and adolescents and supporting the realization of this platform for coordinated corporate efforts and sharing of best practices.
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