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Dear Ms. Vaghri,
Dear Mr. Zermatten,

On behalf of the Bureau of the Committee on the Rights of the Child, I would like to thank you for your presentation which took place on 27 September 2017 in Geneva. The presentation which focused on the GlobalChild project, a comprehensive child rights monitoring platform based on a framework of indicators to facilitate both compliance with and reporting on the Convention of the Rights of the Child (CRC), was appreciated by all present,

It is noted with appreciation that the GlobalChild project will expand upon the work made on the Early Childhood Rights Indicators (ECRI), a monitoring tool for children under the age of eight, with a view to developing an innovative and comprehensive monitoring platform that will assist in monitoring the rights of all children up to the age of 18.

We welcome that the aim of this initial 5-year project is to operationalize the entire CRC and create an innovative digital monitoring platform based upon an indicators framework, and then pilot the tool in Canada. We understand that in the subsequent five years, the tool will be then expanded globally and piloted in countries from all regions of the world. The Committee commends the Government of Canada for recognizing the significance of this work and funding the initial part of this project.

The Committee welcomes the GlobalChild project and looks forward to the envisaged periodic engagement and consultation with the Committee in the process of the development of this important electronic child rights monitoring platform. In this regard, the Committee invites GlobalChild to provide a periodic progress report and decides to designate Ms. Kirsten Sandberg to be the Committee's focal person for the GlobalChild project.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'R. Winter'.

Renate Winter
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