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Dear Ms. Vaghri,
Dear Mr. Zermatten,

On behalf of the Committee on the Rights of the Child, I would like to thank you for your presentation, which took place on 23 September 2019 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.

The Committee welcomes 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. In this regard, after the completion of the first three years of this project, the Committee would like to acknowledge the Canadian Institute for Health Research (CIHR) and the Michael Smith Foundation for Health Research (MSFHR) for funding the project and for facilitating the continuation of this critical work. It also commends the University of Victoria for hosting the project and supporting the GlobalChild team in progressing this important work that has a great potential to advance the rights, and as a result, the health and development, of children globally.

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. Ann Skelton and Mr. Bragi Gudbransson to be the Committee's focal persons for the GlobalChild project.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Luis Ernesto Pedernera Reyna'.

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