

UN CRC	Ratification Date	Care-Related Concluding Observations
	14 May 1991	<p>CRC/C/LBN/CO/4-5</p> <p>22 June 2017</p> <p>http://tbinternet.ohchr.org/_layouts/treatybodyexternal/Download.aspx?symbolno=CRC%2fC%2fLBN%2fCO%2f4-5&Lang=en</p> <p>IV. Main areas of concern and recommendations</p> <p>F. Family environment and alternative care (arts. 5, 9-11, 18 (1) and (2), 20, 21, 25 and 27 (4))</p> <p>Children deprived of a family environment</p> <p>26. While noting the issuance in 2016 of the Standard Child Protection Policy by the Ministry of Social Affairs, the Committee draws the State party's attention to the Guidelines for the Alternative Care of Children (see General Assembly resolution 64/142, annex) and emphasizes that financial and material poverty should never be the sole justification for removing a child from parental care, for receiving a child into alternative care or for preventing a child's social reintegration. In this regard, the Committee recommends that the State party:</p> <p>(a) Support and facilitate family-based care for children wherever possible, including by increasing financial support to families in situations of poverty, with a view to reducing the institutionalization of children;</p> <p>(b) Ensure adequate safeguards and clear criteria, based on the needs and best interests of the child, for determining whether a child should be placed in alternative care, including placement with relatives, foster care, <i>kafalah</i> and institutions;</p> <p>(c) Establish and implement standards of care for children in alternative care and ensure adequate government oversight, including the periodic review of the placement of children in foster care, <i>kafalah</i> and institutions, and monitor the quality of care therein, in particular by providing accessible channels for reporting, monitoring and remedying maltreatment of children;</p>

		<p>(d) Ensure that adequate human, technical and financial resources are allocated to alternative care centres and relevant child protection services;</p> <p>(e) Ensure that staff dealing with children in alternative care are provided with ongoing training, including the relevant tools regarding child abuse prevention in residential care facilities.</p> <p>Adoption</p> <p>27. The Committee recommends that the State party ensure that adoption within the State party and intercountry adoption are regulated and monitored by a central authority within the State party to ensure that adoption practices are in line with the Convention. It further recommends that the State party consider ratifying the 1993 Hague Convention on Protection of Children and Cooperation in respect of Intercountry Adoption.</p> <p>G. Disability, basic health and welfare (arts. 6, 18 (3), 23, 24, 26, 27 (1)-(3) and 33)</p> <p>Children with disabilities</p> <p>28. While noting legislative initiatives to further protect the rights of children with disabilities and efforts to integrate them into mainstream education, the Committee is concerned about: ...</p> <p>(c) Lack of financial assistance and other support services to families of children with disabilities;</p> <p>(d) The high rate of institutionalization of children with disabilities, inadequate care in residential care institutions and abuse and violence by service providers, including sexual abuse.</p> <p>29. Taking into account its general comment No. 9 (2006) on the rights of children with disabilities, the Committee urges the State party to adopt a human rights-based approach to disability and finalize the national plan of action in line with the State party's strategy on the rights of the child with disabilities. It specifically recommends that it: ...</p> <p>(d) Continue to strengthen support to caregivers of children with disabilities, including by increasing social benefits and other services, with a view to deinstitutionalizing such children;</p> <p>(e) Ensure periodic review of the placement of children with disabilities in alternative care settings and monitor the quality of care therein, especially in relation to children with psychosocial or intellectual</p>
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Acronyms and Abbreviations:

CEDAW	Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women
CRC	Convention on the Rights of the Child/Committee on the Rights of the Child
CRPD	Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities
ICCPR	International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights
ICESCR	International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
OPAC to CRC	Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the Involvement of Children in Armed Conflict
OPSC to CRC	Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography
UN	United Nations
UPR	Universal Periodic Review