

UN CRC	Ratification Date	Care-Related Concluding Observations
	10 Aug 1990	<p>CRC/C/HND/CO/4-5  8 June 2015</p> <p><a href="http://tbinternet.ohchr.org/_layouts/treatybodyexternal/Download.aspx?symbolno=INT%2fCRC%2fCOC%2fHND%2f20800&amp;Lang=en">http://tbinternet.ohchr.org/_layouts/treatybodyexternal/Download.aspx?symbolno=INT%2fCRC%2fCOC%2fHND%2f20800&amp;Lang=en</a></p> <p><b>III. Main areas of concern and recommendations</b></p> <p><b>D. Violence against children (arts. 19, 24, para.3, 28, para. 2, 34, 37 (a) and 39)</b></p> <p><b>Corporal punishment</b></p> <p>41. The Committee welcomes the amendment of article 191 of the Family Code, which prohibits all forms of corporal punishment of children in all settings, including in the family environment. However, the Committee remains concerned about the high number of cases of abuse reported in families, schools and institutions, concern compounded by the lack of consolidated, detailed and disaggregated information, in particular for girls and children in vulnerable situations.</p> <p>42. In the light of its General Comment No. 8 (2006) on the right of the child to protection from corporal punishment, the Committee recommends that the State party promote positive, non-violent and participatory forms of child-rearing and discipline, conduct awareness-raising programmes on this prohibition and create mechanisms for its fulfilment.</p> <p><b>E. Family environment and alternative care (arts. 5, 9-11, 18 (paras. 1 and 2), 20-21, 25 and 27 (para. 4))</b></p> <p><b>Family environment</b></p> <p>51. The Committee welcomes the adoption of the Responsible Parenting Act, the Comprehensive Early Childhood Development Policy, the Social Protection Policy and the creation of the National System for</p>

		<p>the Protection of Children with a focus on the special protection of children in a position of vulnerability. However, it is concerned about the ineffective implementation of these plans and in particular the limited impact of social programmes in reducing poverty notably in rural and indigenous areas. The Committee is also concerned that care services for children of working parents remain inadequately available.</p> <p><b>52. The Committee reiterates its recommendation (CRC/C/HND/CO/3, para. 46) to the State party to provide appropriate assistance to parents in the performance of their child-rearing responsibilities, in particular to the needs of children in singleparent families, including access to childcare services and facilities. The Committee recommends that the State party monitor and evaluate the impact of poverty alleviation measures in the welfare of children.</b></p> <p><b>Children deprived of a family environment</b></p> <p>53. The Committee welcomes the attention given by the Social Protection Policy to children of parents who have been deprived of liberty and children deprived of a family environment. The Committee remains concerned about the lack of detailed information on the situation of these children and the lack of independent supervision of their situation.</p> <p><b>54. The Committee recommends that the State party take into account the Guidelines for the Alternative Care of Children annexed to the United Nations General Assembly resolution 64/142 of 20 December 2009, and in particular:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>(a) Ensure periodic review of the placement of children in foster care and institutions;</b></li><li><b>(b) Monitor the quality of care therein, including by providing accessible channels for reporting, monitoring and remedying maltreatment of children;</b></li><li><b>(c) Review the locations where children are institutionalised to prevent their uprooting from families and communities, in particular children from indigenous or ethnic groups;</b></li><li><b>(d) Take all necessary measures to facilitate and promote the deinstitutionalisation of children.</b></li></ul> <p>55. The Committee is concerned about the lack of information on the state of emergency declared in 2012 for the Comprehensive Child Care Centres administered by the Honduran Institute for Children and the Family and its impact on children in alternative care.</p>
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<p>CRC/C/HND/4-5</p> <p><a href="http://tbinternet.ohchr.org/_layouts/treatybodyexternal/Download.aspx?symbolno=CRC%2fC%2fHND%2f4-5&amp;Lang=en">http://tbinternet.ohchr.org/_layouts/treatybodyexternal/Download.aspx?symbolno=CRC%2fC%2fHND%2f4-5&amp;Lang=en</a></p>		
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<b>CEDAW</b>	<b>Ratification Date</b>	<b>Care-Related Concluding Observations</b>
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<b>CRPD</b>	<b>Ratification Date</b>	<b>Care-Related Concluding Observations</b>
	14 Apr 2008	<p>CRPD/C/HND/CO/1</p> <p>4 May 2017</p> <p><a href="http://tbinternet.ohchr.org/_layouts/treatybodyexternal/Download.aspx?symbolno=CRPD%2fC%2fHND%2fCO%2f1&amp;Lang=en">http://tbinternet.ohchr.org/_layouts/treatybodyexternal/Download.aspx?symbolno=CRPD%2fC%2fHND%2fCO%2f1&amp;Lang=en</a></p> <p><b>III. Principal areas of concern and recommendations</b></p> <p><b>B. Specific rights (arts. 5-30)</b></p> <p><b>Children with disabilities (art. 7)</b></p> <p>17. The Committee is concerned that laws relating to children do not expressly include the principle of non-discrimination and that this omission disproportionately affects children with disabilities. It is also concerned about the lack of adequate protection measures in place to prevent children with disabilities from being abandoned, the fact that many such children are still in institutions and the lack of data on these children.</p>

		<p>The Committee is also concerned about the limited reach of specific measures for such children in rural areas and in indigenous and Afro-Honduran communities.</p> <p><b>18. The Committee recommends that the State party include in Decree No. 79-36 (Code on Children and Adolescents) the principle of non-discrimination, as well as protection for children with disabilities, in order to strengthen the protection of their rights and to promote equal opportunities for family, community and social inclusion, and provide for the allocation of sufficient resources for the effective implementation of the Act. It further recommends that the State party take all necessary measures to introduce an effective system for detecting the ill-treatment of children with disabilities both within the family and in educational and health settings and institutions.</b></p> <p><b>Freedom from torture or cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment (art. 15)</b></p> <p>37. The Committee is concerned about the situation of persons with disabilities who are institutionalized in psychiatric hospitals or other types of long-stay residential centres on the grounds of their disability, without the free and informed consent of the person concerned, as reported in Santa Rosita hospital and Mario Mendoza hospital, and particularly the situation of children with disabilities who have been abandoned and consequently placed in an institution.</p> <p><b>38. The Committee urges the State party to prohibit forced institutionalization on grounds of disability and to take steps to abolish the practice of non-consensual internment or hospitalization. It also recommends the establishment of an independent mechanism to monitor residential centres for persons with disabilities, including centres for children with disabilities, in order to prevent, and offer protection from, acts that may constitute torture or other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment.</b></p> <p><b>Living independently and being included in the community (art. 19)</b></p> <p>45. The Committee is concerned at the absence of concrete initiatives to promote the deinstitutionalization of persons with disabilities and support in the community for independent living. It is also concerned about the contradiction between the personal assistance programme and the persistence of the medical approach in applying the legislation on carers.</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