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List of issues to be taken up in connection with the consideration of the initial report of Argentina (CRC/C/OPAC/ARG/1)

The questions below concern issues which the Committee considers as high priority and on which supplementary information is requested. Further questions about the implementation of the Optional Protocol may be asked during the dialogue with the State party.

The State party is requested to submit in written form additional and updated information, if possible before 6 April 2010.

1. Please indicate whether there are legal provisions in the State party's legislation that penalize forced recruitment and/or the participation in hostilities of children under 18 years of age.
2. Please inform the Committee whether the Ministry of Education monitors educational establishments operated by the Armed Forces. Please provide more information on the teaching in such establishments of topics relating to human rights and international humanitarian law, in particular whether there is teaching on the Convention and the Optional Protocols to it. Please inform the Committee what training is given to teachers at military academies on the provisions of the Optional Protocol. Please also clarify whether military training given to children under 18 years of age in educational establishments operated by the Armed Forces includes training with weapons of any kind.