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The Secretariat of the Interagency Panel on Juvenile Justice (IPJJ), in collaboration with the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR), the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), Defence for Children International (DCI), Penal Reform International (PRI), Save the Children UK and Terre des Hommes Foundation

cordially invites you to a side-event on:

Juvenile Justice Challenges: Strategies to address Violence against Children in Contact with the Justice System

**Tuesday 10 March 2009, Palais des Nations, Geneva, Switzerland
(time and room to be confirmed)**

Chair: (to be confirmed)

Speakers:

- *Ugo Cedrangolo, Human Rights Officer, OHCHR*: presentation of the main issues at stake, including the relevant international norms and standards relating to children in conflict with the law and child victims and witnesses of crimes
- *Nikhil Roy, Head of Rights and Economic Justice, Save the Children UK*: advocacy strategies in addressing violence against children in contact with the justice system
- *Bernard Boëton, Child Rights, Terre des hommes Foundation*: prevention of abuse against children in contact with the justice system
- *Jean-Claude Legrand, Senior Regional Advisor Child Protection, UNICEF Regional Office for the CEE/CIS*: reform of juvenile justice systems as a way to address and enforce children's rights in Eastern Europe and Central Asia, with a specific focus on diversion, alternatives and restorative justice
- *Rait Kuuse, Regional Director, PRI Regional Office for the Caucasus*: rehabilitation and reintegration measures aimed at ending cycles of re-offending

Translation available in English, French and Spanish

This side-event, organised in parallel to the **10th session of the Human Rights Council (2-27 March 2009)**, aims to provide governments, advocates and other justice actors with examples of strategies adopted by members of the Interagency Panel on Juvenile Justice (IPJJ) to address violence against children in contact with justice systems, including children in conflict with the law and child victims and witnesses of crimes. The Panel is a group composed of seven UN bodies and seven non-governmental organisations mandated by UN ECOSOC resolution 1997/30 to coordinate technical advice and assistance in juvenile justice.

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