Global Alliance Against Child Sexual Abuse Online – 2014 Reporting Form

MONTENEGRO

Policy Target No. 1

Enhancing efforts to identify victims and ensuring that they receive the necessary assistance, support and protection.

Operational Goal: Increase the number of identified victims in the International Child Sexual Exploitation images database (ICSE database) managed by INTERPOL by at least 10% yearly.

A) Please report on implementation of any measures announced in your country’s 2013 report

- Montenegro enhanced cooperation and coordination between law enforcement authorities on victim identification by establishing adequate links between NCB and other Law Enforcement Agencies for the purpose of investigating crime, including child and sexual exploitation. Through that international police cooperation, during 2013, one criminal case for possession and distributing of child pornography has been prosecuted. There are also 2 on-going investigations and international police cooperation related to possession and distribution of child pornography.

- There is existing cooperation and coordination between law enforcement authorities of different States on victim identification, on case by case basis

- Law enforcement authorities have access to the ICSE database through the NCB Interpol

B) Please assess progress made in your country to pursue this shared policy target and to reach this operational goal of the Global Alliance

- Enhanced cooperation with national agencies and Prosecution office

- Enhancing the capacities in forensics related to victim identification and investigation of criminal offences

- Participation in INTERPOL’s victim identification efforts, in the case in Montenegro, where children – victims are still not identified.

C) Please indicate specific actions that your country will undertake as a follow-up

- Montenegro will develop, protocol and standard procedures to identify victims.

- Cooperation and coordination between law enforcement authorities of different States on victim identification will be further enhanced.

- Montenegro will put additional efforts in providing tools and resources for providing
Montenegro will ensure that law enforcement authorities have access to the ICSE database.
**Policy Target No. 2**

Enhancing efforts to investigate cases of child sexual abuse online and to identify and prosecute offenders.

**Operational Goal:** Establish the necessary framework for the criminalization of child sexual abuse online and the effective prosecution of offenders, with the objective of enhancing efforts to investigate and prosecute offenders.

**A) Please report on implementation of any measures announced in your country’s 2013 report**

- Shortcomings in legislation were identified and the necessary legislative amendments were adopted, including child pornography and solicitation of children for sexual purposes through information and communication technologies;

- Ministry of Justice in cooperation with the Centre for Judicial Education, Police Academy and Bar Association, with the support of an expert team of UNICEF, prepared specialized training programs for judges and prosecutors for juveniles, police officers and lawyers in the field of juvenile justice;

- Specialized trainings for judges and prosecutors for juveniles, police officers, lawyers, and for social workers were organized. Training, except legislation and international standards was cover specific techniques of governance and specific communication skills needed to work with children, individualized methods of working with juveniles in conflict with the law, juvenile victims and witnesses of crimes and the special skills and methods relevant for each category of experts;

- Professional services for assistance in cases involving juveniles were established in the two higher courts in Montenegro and in the Supreme State Prosecutors Office.

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- Ministry for Information Society and Telecommunications has established a National CIRT, whose responsibilities include receiving and responding to all cyber security related incidents. All incidents can be reported directly on the website [www.cirt.me](http://www.cirt.me);

- A certain number of courts and prosecutors offices in Montenegro is equipped with a special audio-visual equipment for examination / testing of children in conflict with the law and child victims or witnesses of crimes.

**C) Please indicate specific actions that your country will undertake as a follow-up**

- Identify shortcomings in legislation and adopt the necessary legislative amendments, including the disqualification of offenders from working with children;
- Facilitate and support close cooperation between investigators and prosecutors in cases of child sexual abuse online, both domestically and internationally;
- Improve cooperation between law enforcement authorities and private sector actors, whose infrastructure and services may be used for the trade in child sexual abuse material, to facilitate effective investigations into these crimes, including all financial aspects.

**Operational Goal:** Improve the joint efforts of law enforcement authorities across Global Alliance countries to investigate and prosecute child sexual abuse online.

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<td>Identify technological issues that make it difficult to investigate child sexual abuse online, and propose solutions, and try to provide adequate technical (hardware, software) tools for the investigation and identification of victims of these criminal offences; Promote, facilitate and support international law enforcement investigations among Global Alliance countries that dismantle networks of child sex offenders online, including, where appropriate, the setting up and use of Joint Investigation Teams; Increase training, both within Global Alliance countries and jointly among Global Alliance countries, of investigators and prosecutors handling child sexual abuse online cases; Participate in and support existing international law enforcement efforts such as the Virtual Global Task Force.</td>
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Policy Target No. 3

Enhancing efforts to increase public awareness of the risks posed by children's activities online, including grooming and self-production of images that results in the production of new child pornography that may be distributed online.

Operational Goal: Develop, improve, or support appropriate public awareness campaigns or other measures which educate parents, children, and others responsible for children regarding the risks that children's online conduct poses and the steps they can take to minimize those risks.

A) Please report on implementation of any measures announced in your country’s 2013 report

- Promoting children's rights through their active participation within the campaign which was implemented during 2013 by the Ministry of Justice, Ministry of Labour and Social Welfare, Ministry of Culture, Ministry of Education and the NGO sector, in cooperation with UNICEF;

- Conducting public campaign in the media about the continuation of the Safer Internet - Connecting Generations project by the Ministry of Information Society and Telecommunications, in cooperation with the Ministry of Education and Telenor (during 2013);

- Continued the cycle of workshops under peer education principles and with active participation of parents (2013);

- Ministry for Information Society and Telecommunications officially marked Safe Internet Day, 5 February 2014;

- National CIRT regularly publishes guidelines for children and parents for safe internet usage on their website www.cirt.me.

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C) Please indicate specific actions that your country will undertake as a follow-up
• Create a dedicated website for child protection online, which will be used to raise awareness, publish security guidelines and create a hotline for incident reports related to child abuse online;

• Conduct media campaigns and competitions for children in order to raise awareness;

• Conduct a research in order to evaluate the situation in Montenegro regarding child protection on the internet;

• Continue conducting the Safer Internet - Connecting Generations project by the Ministry of Information Society and Telecommunications, in cooperation with the Ministry of Education and Telenor (during 2014);

• Organizing a number of workshops and seminars, in cooperation with the private sector, for elementary school pupils on the topic of Internet usage, possible hazards and protection measures.

**Operational Goal:** Share best practices among Global Alliance countries for effective strategies to inform the public about the risks posed by online, self-exploitative conduct in order to reduce the production of new child pornography.

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• Develop public awareness material in commonly-used languages that can be tailored for use in Global Alliance countries, thereby reducing costs.
**Policy Target No. 4**

Reducing as much as possible the availability of child pornography online and reducing as much as possible the re-victimization of children whose sexual abuse is depicted.

**Operational Goal:** Encourage participation by the private sector in identifying and removing known child pornography material located in the relevant State, including increasing as much as possible the volume of system data examined for child pornography images.

**A) Please report on implementation of any measures announced in your country’s 2013 report**

- Set up of Public-Private Partnership focused on identifying and eliminating access to child pornography material – signed agreement with the provider of Internet service in Montenegro in order to block access to identified web sites with child pornography;
- Active participation in Interpol initiatives related to international cooperation on child pornography elimination strategies, with a view towards developing consistent approaches and information exchange between countries;
- State authorities are continually improving cooperation with the private sector in order to reduce incident response time.

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- Facilitate the setting up of Public-Private Partnerships in this field;
- Ensure follow-up by law enforcement authorities to reports on child sexual abuse online.

**C) Please indicate specific actions that your country will undertake as a follow-up**

- Facilitate the development and the use of technologies to identify and remove known child pornography images uploaded into, downloaded from or hosted in servers under each country’s jurisdiction;
- Improve international cooperation on child pornography elimination strategies, with a view towards developing consistent approaches and information exchange between countries;
- Continue improving cooperation with the private sector in order to reduce incident response time, and create special procedures for fast removal of abusive material from the internet;
- Consider using INTERPOL worst-of list, and in cooperation with ISP’s block known abusive materials from the internet.

**Operational Goal:** Increase the speed of notice and takedown procedures as much as
possible without jeopardizing criminal investigation.

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• National CIRT constantly improves international cooperation with CERT teams from other countries. This helps reduce response time with cross-border cases. |

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| • Facilitate the setting up of Public-Private Partnerships in this field;  
• Set up standardized interfaces between hotlines and ISPs/ESPs;  
• Ensure and support the trust of law enforcement authorities in hotlines (e.g. requirements on personnel, procedures or vetting of staff);  
• Ensure that the necessary conditions are in place for hotlines and ISPs/ESPs to play an effective role in notice and takedown procedures, including by removing legal or administrative obstacles for hotline staff to analyse child abuse images and to take appropriate action;  
• Develop, improve or support easier reporting mechanisms;  
• Ensure follow-up by law enforcement authorities to reports on child sexual abuse online;  
• Continue improving international cooperation, through the National CIRT, with CERT teams from other countries. |