



CHILDREN'S RIGHTS COMMITTEE - UN

ALERT LETTER ON THE SITUATION OF CHILDREN IN BRAZIL

We, from Coletivo Voz Materna for the Protection of Children and the Despertar Project, would like to inform you about the serious situation of violation of the rights of children and adolescents who are victims of sexual abuse and family domestic violence promoted by the Brazilian State through the use of the Alienation Law Parental (Law 12318 of 2010).

As this Commission proposes to debate the laws and the possibility of protecting children who are victims of sexual abuse and ways to maintain the family bond, it is necessary to inform that the Parental Alienation Law was created with its references based on the ideas of the American doctor Richard Gardner who describes a supposed parental alienation syndrome and in many of his writings defends pedophilia and the naturalization of incestuous relationships, propagating that most allegations of sexual abuse are false and that children lie. With these references rejected and restricted in the world, Brazil presents a legal instrument that for more than ten years disqualifies the main evidence of intrafamily sexual abuse, which is the testimony of the child or adolescent victim, with the argument of false memories implanted by the mother who wants revenge and prevents the children's contact with the father. And many children who tell their mothers about the abuse they suffered are punished by the law that requires them to spend more time with the abusive father and the Brazilian tragedy of the reversal of unilateral custody of this sexual abuser father, which happens in most cases where the mother reports the father on suspicion of sexual abuse and the mother considered alienating. With this, the child is deprived of maternal life, suffering yet another punishment and very serious violation, as he is removed from those who have a bond of trust, with whom he spoke and asked for help, and thus he learns that he can no longer count on to avoid further punishment. of the judiciary.

Numbers pointed out in this survey by the Health Surveillance | Ministry of Health Volume 49 | Jun. 2018 Epidemiological Bulletin 27 The epidemiological analyzes of sexual violence against children and adolescents in Brazil, 2011 to 2017, demonstrate the period of validity of the Parental Alienation Law and confirm our concern, how much this Law has favored the maintenance of abuse intrafamilial sexuality. Descriptive study of the epidemiological profile of sexual violence against children and adolescents reported by health services, in the period 2011 to 2017. This study delimits individuals aged between zero and 9 years in childhood and adolescence those between 10 and 19 years, as per convention prepared by the World Health Organization (WHO) and adopted by the Ministry of Health.



Comparing the years 2011 and 2017, there is an overall increase of 83.0% in notifications of sexual violence and an increase of 64.6% and 83.2% in notifications of sexual violence against children and adolescents, respectively

The evaluation of the sociodemographic characteristics of children victims of sexual violence revealed that 43,034 (74.2%) were female and 14,996 (25.8%) were male. Of the total, 51.2% were between 1 and 5 years old, 45.5% were black and 3.3% had a disability or illness. Notifications were concentrated in the Southeast (40.4%), South (21.7%) and North (15.7%) regions

Among female children with notification of sexual violence, it is noteworthy that 51.9% were aged between 1 and 5 years and 42.9% between 6 and 9 years, 46.0% were of black race/skin color, and notifications were concentrated in the Southeast (39.9%), South (20.7%) and North (16.7%) regions

Among male children with notification of sexual violence, it is noteworthy that 48.9% were aged between 1 and 5 years and 48.3% between 6 and 9 years, 44.2% were of black race/skin color, and notifications were concentrated in the Southeast (41.8%), South (24.6%) and North (12.7%) regions

The full survey is available at:
<https://antigo.saude.gov.br/images/pdf/2018/junho/25/2018-024.pdf>

Reports on child pornography grew 33.45% in 2021, points out Safernet Brasil - CRIMES ON THE WEB / CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

Numbers continue to grow after an all-time record of complaints filed in 2020

Between January and April 2021, 15,856 pages related to child pornography were reported to Safernet Brasil, of which 7,248 were removed for evidence of crime. The number shows a 33.45% increase in complaints compared to the same period last year, when 11881 pages were reported, of which 6938 were removed.

Last year, the first year of the covid-19 pandemic, Safernet Brazil received 98,244 anonymous reports of websites containing child pornography - a historic record since the measurement was taken (started in 2006). The number is more than double (102.24%) compared to the 48,576 pages reported by internet users for the same reason in 2019.

“The pandemic has provoked and continues to provoke abrupt changes in the families' routine. Children spend much more time online and are exposed to risky situations, aggravated by the closing of schools, which has always served as an important support network and prevention of sexual violence”, says Thiago Tavares, president of Safernet.

Available in:
<https://new.safernet.org.br/content/denuncias-de-pornografia-infantil-cresceram-3345-em-2021-aponta-safernet-brasil>



New research shows parents are major producers of child sexual abuse material. Parental abusers are especially difficult to detect. They have constant access to their victims and almost total control over them. Children abused by a parent are the least likely group to tell anyone, and the shame and fear caused by victimisation makes it extremely difficult to speak out.

https://theconversation.com/new-research-shows-parents-are-major-producers-of-child-sexual-abuse-material-153722?utm_source=twitter&utm_medium=bylinetwitterbutton&fbclid=IwAR2CZ9ZpXRE1yVxEiUMQtP_opIPDHyjvdIBLGhdr8YTCYJmJopY8S_LLj6Q

We would like to ask your attention to the data presented and once again demonstrating the relationship of the Parental Alienation Law as a facilitator of the occurrence of sexual violence against children and adolescents in Brazil.

We are faced with the lack of qualification, training and preparation of the protection and support network for children and adolescents in the themes of child development, dynamics of sexual abuse and domestic and family violence, as our National Council of Justice has promoted during the in recent years only trainings, booklets and workshops based on false ideas of parental alienation, trivializing the violent reality to which Brazilian children and adolescents were subjected and intensified with fallacious arguments for the use of the Parental Alienation Law.

One of the objectives of this debate is to recognize the damage caused to child abuse and lack of care, we can say that the Parental Alienation Law favors the maintenance of intrafamily sexual abuse, hinders children's access to justice because it invalidates their testimonies and promotes maternal detachment. Our children are at imminent risk of irreversible emotional and physical damage due to the seriousness of the situation in Brazil!

Our efforts are to promote the development of protection systems and we ask this Committee to urgently recommend that Brazil revoke the Parental Alienation Law and promote a qualified training campaign for all those who are part of the protection network, from families to schools, social workers, psychologists, police stations and the entire Brazilian judiciary.

We invite everyone to know our Campaign Be a Voice! Watch our video and help us protect the children of Brazil. Attached video

Be the voice! Believe it!

We need to protect children and teenagers victims of violence, participate with us in this campaign, sign the Manifesto !!

Share!!



It is not enough to be the voice, it is necessary to believe in children !! Violence is part of everyday life and is in most Brazilian homes!

We urgently need to repeal the Parental Alienation Law, which distorts the reality of the dynamics of violence and abuse and disqualifies the testimonies of children and adolescents.

We believe!!

#Be the voice

#I believe

#Protect the children

#RevogaLAP now

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Manifest:

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