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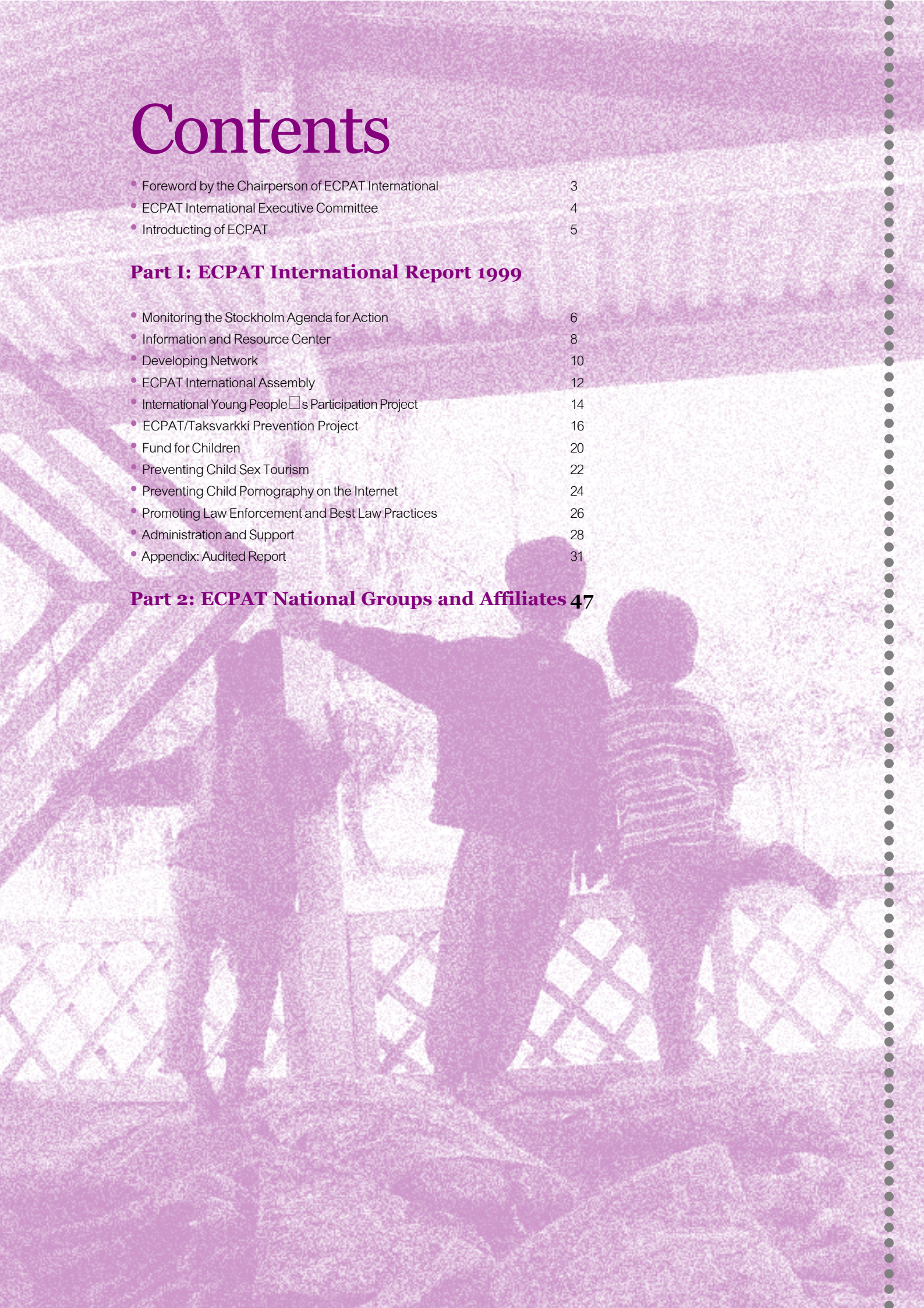
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Foreword



*Josephine de Linde
Chairperson of ECPAT*

The sun may have gone through a total eclipse in 1999, but there has been no dimming of ECPAT's efforts and activities as this year's annual report reflects both in style and content.

This year's report has been broadened to include not only basic information for funders on projects and how ECPAT International operates in general, but also a short introduction to ECPAT groups and affiliates, their activities, projects and publications. In this way, we hope the 1999 report with its improved layout will serve as a useful information tool for ECPAT groups themselves, other NGOs, government agencies and private individuals who may be interested in learning more about ECPAT.

ECPAT's financial position is more secure, with traditional funders continuing their support and new donors responding to our requests. We are most grateful to all who finance or otherwise support ECPAT's work in large or small ways.

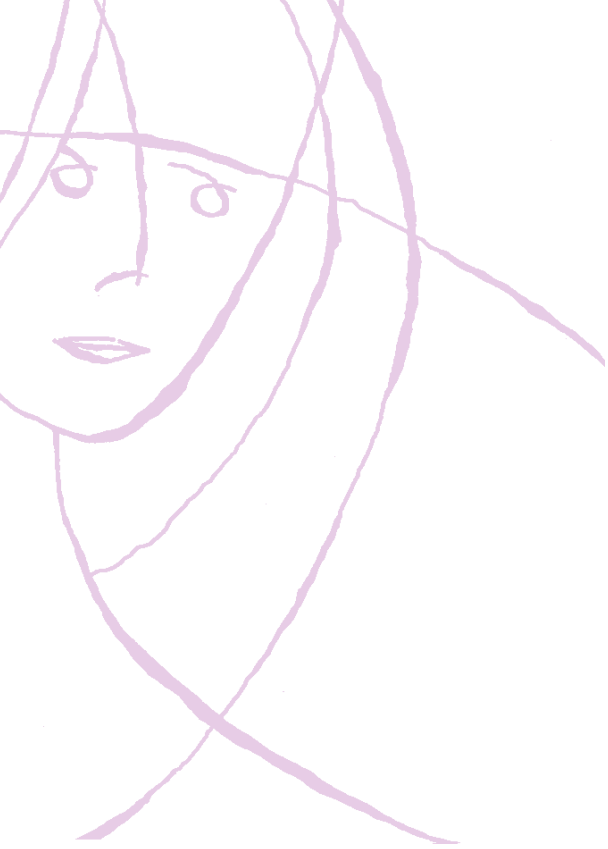
There are now 25 national groups and 30 affiliates in a total of 50 countries. Almost all those groups were represented at the first ever International Assembly of ECPAT International, held in Bangkok from 18 to 22 September. This was the first coming together since the World Congress in Stockholm, and for many of us, the high spot of

the year. The Assembly voted a Constitution, elected a new chairperson and a new executive committee. The 1998-99 report on implementing the Stockholm Agenda for Action was launched at a press conference.

ECPAT's own Strategic Plan sets out the main tasks for the 3-year period 2000 to 2002. The most important one remains implementing the Stockholm Agenda for Action while pursuing the priority activities set out by the movement as a whole: monitoring the Agenda for Action, reinforcing the network and combating child sex tourism.

In the 1999 annual report you will find information and financial details of current projects and activities planned for 2000. One of the most ambitious of these is the IYPPP or International Young People's Participation Project, which culminates in a conference, the theme of which is Hope and Action by young people for young people. The conference will be held in Manila from 21 to 26 May 2000.

It is my privilege as the new chairperson of ECPAT International to invite you to read the 1999 annual report. I hope like me, you will be impressed by what has been achieved, feel proud to have been associated with that success and resolve to renew efforts to end the unacceptable: the prostitution of children wherever it is found in the world.



ECPAT International Executive Committee

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ECPAT

End Child Prostitution, Child pornography and Trafficking in Children for Sexual Purposes

Background to ECPAT

In 1990, a group of Asian researchers first exposed the degree to which child prostitution was increasing in many Asian countries. When they reported their findings to a consultation in May of that year, the participants were astonished to discover the size of the problem.

These findings resulted in the decision by a number of Asian-based agencies to launch an international campaign to end child prostitution in Asian tourism. We took the name ECPAT, starting an international □□ End Child Prostitution in Asian Tourism □□ movement and opened an office in Bangkok in January, 1991.

ECPAT decided to run the campaign for three years, 1991-1993, which was subsequently extended to a second term, 1994-1996. After the World Congress in 1996, ECPAT became an international non-governmental organisation. Our remit has become much wider and we now campaign against child prostitution, child pornography and the trafficking of children for sexual purposes wherever these problems occur.

ECPAT Network

The ECPAT network: consists of groups and individuals in over 50 countries around the world. Presently, ECPAT has national groups in: Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Colombia, Canada, Chile, Ethiopia, France, Finland, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Kenya, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Philippines, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, United States and the United Kingdom. ECPAT also has affiliates in many countries including India, Japan, Zambia, and others.

ECPAT MISSION STATEMENT

ECPAT is a global network of organisations and individuals working together for the elimination of child prostitution, child pornography and the trafficking of children for sexual purposes. It seeks to encourage the world community to ensure that children everywhere enjoy their fundamental rights free and secure from all forms of commercial sexual exploitation.

What Does ECPAT do ?

ECPAT has three major areas of activity.

1. The principal task is to monitor the implementation by states of the Agenda for Action, agreed by the consensus of 122 governments at the World Congress against the Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children. The results of the monitoring are used to make the Agenda more widely understood and implemented and to share good practices with a wide audience.
2. To increase the capacity of NGOs in ensuring the implementation of the Agenda for Action, ECPAT has a number of activities and projects. These include the provision of an Information and Resource Centre service, and a training and capacity-building service. Two pilot projects for prevention are also underway, the results of which will be used to promote good prevention work. These are the International Young People's Participation Project, and the Taksvarikki Prevention Project.
3. ECPAT also has a number of specialist international projects, all of which contribute to the monitoring process and promote the implementation of the Agenda for Action. These programmes are Preventing Child Sex Tourism, Preventing Child Pornography on the Internet and Promoting Law Enforcement and Best Law Practices.



Monitoring the Stockholm Agenda for Action

Donors

• SIDA (Swedish International Development Cooperation) • Wild Geese Foundation • OAK Foundation

Staff

• Nancy Foster - Research Coordinator • Brenda Platt - Volunteer (Research Assistant) • Riita Koskela - Volunteer (August 98 □ July 99)

Background

The overall aim of this project is to collect, analyse and disseminate information relating to the implementation of the Agenda for Action by the 122 countries that made commitments at the World Congress in Stockholm to eliminate the commercial sexual exploitation of children. ECPAT publishes annually the Report on the implementation of the Agenda for Action.

Activities in 1999

From 1996 to 1998, ECPAT International had a very restricted budget for follow-up work on the Stockholm World Congress. This year funding was made available by the Swedish International Development Agency for a three-year programme to monitor the Agenda for Action.

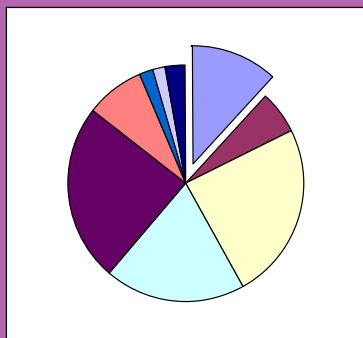
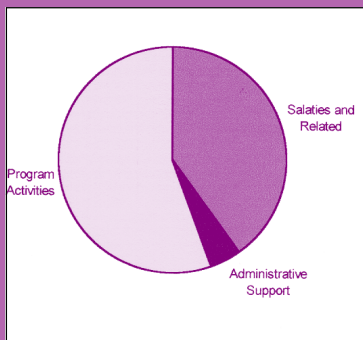
The Third Annual Report on the Implementation of the Stockholm Agenda for Action, A STEP FORWARD, has been completed. Printed in English in September 1999, this report contains information on how 136 countries

around the world have been protecting children against commercial sexual exploitation and implementing the Agenda for Action. 2000 copies were printed, of which 1,950 had been distributed by mid-November, already exceeding last year's distribution. A reprint of 1000 copies was ordered in December to cater for the demand.

The Report has been translated into Spanish, French and Russian with assistance from the Dutch Wild Geese Foundation. The Spanish version was distributed during December. The French and Russian versions will be printed and distributed early in the year 2000. Additional funds received during 1999 have also made it possible to produce a version in Arabic of the 1999 Report and it is intended that this will be available by the end of the first quarter of 2000.

Planned Activities in 2000

In the year 2000, ECPAT will expand coverage for collecting information for the annual report. Translations will again be made into Spanish, French, Russian and Arabic. Depending on funds available, Executive Summaries may be translated into other languages. Efforts will also be made to carry out research into CSEC in Central America, parts of Africa and Eastern Europe. With the funding already committed for the year 2000, a database will be established containing the information provided by each country on implementing the Agenda for Action.



MONITORING THE STOCKHOLM AGENDA FOR ACTION

ITEM	1999	
Salaries and Related		33,957.81
Administrative Support		
- Office supplies, communication, office utilities etc.	3,763.62	
		3,763.62
Program Activities		
- Installation and maintenance of technical facilities	1,095.51	
- Internet access	2,603.89	
- Missions	1,648.52	
- Publication of the Agenda for Action Report	8,347.36	
- Translation of the Report	20,366.64	
- Mailing of the Report	12,858.57	
		46,920.49
Total Expenditures		84,641.92



Information & Resource Centre

Donors

- SIDA (Swedish International Development Cooperation)
- MISEREOR (German Catholic Action for Human Development)

Staff

- Chitraporn Vanaspong □ Information Officer
- Peter Winning □ Resource Centre Officer (From August 1999)

Background

One important aspect of the ECPAT's work is the dissemination of information on the commercial sexual exploitation of children. Books, brochures, quarterly newsletters and the ECPAT International Website are part of the awareness-raising tools. The ECPAT Resource Centre is open to all who are interested in the subject.

Activities in 1999

The quarterly ECPAT Newsletter gives an overview of the work of groups around the world who are committed to the eliminating commercial sexual exploitation of children. The ECPAT website was redesigned in 1998 and has been updated quarterly in 1999. Feedback indicates that the quality of ECPAT publications, as a whole, have been well received and in September, the ECPAT website won a □ StudyWeb Excellence Award □ that will be included in StudyWeb's listing of educational links.

To coincide with the first ECPAT International Assembly in September, a set of ECPAT promotional materials were produced. These included ECPAT t-shirts, key rings, wallets and pins. An information handbook for the International Assembly was also produced and a market place was organised to display the different campaign materials

of ECPAT groups and to sell ECPAT materials.

ECPAT International receives over twenty inquiries a week from journalists, governments, NGOs and students. As well as answering these requests, ECPAT is regularly invited by various organisations to speak about its work and campaigns.

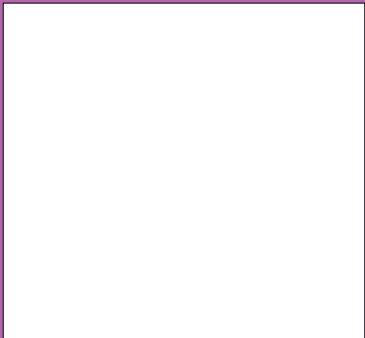
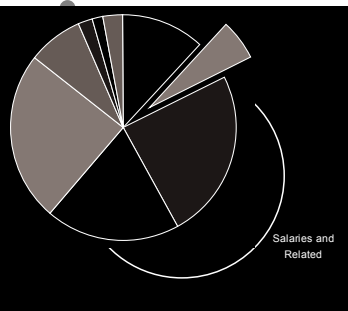
The Resource Centre Officer was appointed in August 1999 to organise, catalogue and classify the existing collection of materials and to acquire new materials on the subject of the commercial sexual exploitation of children. He is now constructing the ECPAT Resource Centre Database.

The Resource Centre had been somewhat neglected and it will be some time before it is fully automated and online. However, real progress is being made and ECPAT International now has a database of all Resource Centre materials on the subject of child trafficking, copies of which have been requested by such institutions as the FBI, and by ECPAT National Groups and Affiliates, journalists and members of the general public.

Discussions are taking place with the ASEM Resource Centre based in Scotland on information linkages between ASEM and ECPAT.

Planned activities in 2000

In 2000, a booklet on child pornography will be produced as well as other information books related to the issue of the commercial sexual exploitation of children. The plan for the Resource Centre in the year 2000 is to have all existing and new resources fully automated and online to allow users of the ECPAT network to search for the materials they require.



INFORMATION AND PUBLICATION

ITEM	1999	
Salaries and Related		28,121.24
Administrative Support		
- Office supplies, communication, office utilities etc.	2,687.28	
- Mailing cost for Newsletter	4,658.44	
		7,345.72
Program Activities		
- Newsletter	3,288.60	
- Resource materials	785.85	
- Information kits	1,402.57	
		5,477.02
Total Expenditures		40,943.98



Developing the Network

Donors

• Bread for the World, Church of Sweden, Embassy of Finland(Bangkok) • ICCO(InterChurch Organization for Development Cooperation) • Irish Aid • Stichting Kinderpostzegels • OAK Foundation • The Council for World Mission • Trocaire (Irish Catholic Agency for World Development) • World Bank.

Staff

• Jayanta Chowdhury □ Network Development Associate

Background

Through this project, ECPAT supports the work of groups around the world seeking to combat CSEC, and where necessary, to assist them in developing their capacity for this work. In recent years, ECPAT has worked with groups in Latin America, Africa and Eastern Europe. The ECPAT Network has now grown in more than 50 countries around the world.

Activities in 1999

The challenge for 1999 has been to respond adequately to the demand, and to develop appropriate institutional arrangements to enable groups to improve their own services and to network better with each other, particularly within geographical regions.

From 33 national groups and affiliates in 1998, by September 1999 ECPAT International had expanded to 51 groups in 44 countries. A Constitution was drafted during 1999 and adopted by the International Assembly in September.

In February 1999 ECPAT International held a regional consultation in Budapest, Hungary, with representatives of groups from 13 countries in Central and Eastern Europe. This consultation was the culmination of a year's work of contact and information-sharing in the region,

coordinated from ECPAT Sweden's office and funded by SIDA. It was clear from the consultation that CSEC is a large and growing problem and that to enable groups to combat CSEC effectively, research, providing of information and information tools on the issue are required as top priority.

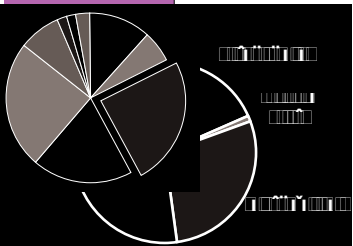
In Latin America the network was strengthened through a number of meetings at national and regional level and the development of a Methodological Guide to implementing of the Agenda for Action. A Memorandum of Understanding was signed in November 1999 between the Inter-American Children's Institute and ECPAT International to cooperate in Latin America.

In August 1999 a consultation meeting was held in New Delhi with all the Indian ECPAT affiliates and other organisations working to combat CSEC. These groups received information on the Indian National Plan of Action, and training on how to conduct research into CSEC. Practical plans to work towards implementing of the Indian Plan of Action were agreed.

The highlight of the work of developing the ECPAT network was the holding in late September 1999 of the first ECPAT International Assembly.


Planned activities in 2000

A plan to hold a regional consultation in Africa did not materialise during 1999, but ECPAT intends to concentrate resources on Africa during 2000. The work in Latin America will continue. In Asia ECPAT will seek to document best practices to combat CSEC in the region, and to mobilise groups in those countries where little has yet been done against the phenomenon.



DEVELOPING NETWORK

<i>ITEM</i>	<i>1999</i>	
Salaries and Related		32,127.66
Administrative Support		
- Office supplies, communication, office utilities etc.	2,225.59	
		2,225.59
Network Development		
<i>Latin America</i>		
- Network strengthening in Latin America	9,766.52	
<i>Eastern Europe</i>		
- Consultation meeting in Eastern Europe	22,059.95	
<i>Africa</i>		
- Consultation meeting in Africa	2,102.85	
- Meeting in Harare	5,651.83	
<i>Asia</i>		
- Meeting in India	8,689.56	
		48,270.71
Other Program Activities		
- ECPAT International Meeting	89,150.38	
- Translation	630.00	
- Mission	104.85	
		89,885.23
Total Expenditures		172,509.19



The First ECPAT International Assembly

- Mini Joseph □ Coordinator of the ECPAT International Assembly (May □ October 1999)

ECPAT International held its first International Assembly during 15-20 September 1999 in Bangkok. One of the main objectives of the Assembly was to develop the capacity of ECPAT member groups to combat the commercial sexual exploitation of children. This was met by providing training and increasing participants' information, providing an opportunity for the exchange of expertise and experiences, and strengthening the institutional framework of the ECPAT movement.

The Assembly brought together 165 participants from 50 countries representing ECPAT National groups, Affiliates, and observers. ECPAT International believes that as a result of this capacity-building, the participants are better equipped to combat CSEC in their own jurisdictions.

Fifteen training workshops on twelve different issues were held over three afternoons. Many facilitators were drawn from the network due to the expertise within the ECPAT movement. Some workshops focused on increased capacity among NGOs in the ECPAT movement in dealing with the commercial sexual exploitation of children in relation to the tourism sector, legislators and law enforcers, and the media. Other workshops sought to increase the ability among NGOs in the ECPAT movement to carry out research on the commercial sexual exploitation of children. Some workshops focused on specific concerns or difficulties that many members of the network face.

The workshops enabled ECPAT groups to acquire skills in a number of practical areas as well as to hold in-depth discussions and plan future action on matters of common interest, such as child sex tourism.

The Assembly provided an opportunity for the ECPAT members to agree on an institutional framework. They adopted a constitution that will guide the work within the regions and in the international sphere. Elections were held for a new seven-member Executive Committee, with a separate election for a Chairperson. Strategic directions for the future work of ECPAT International were discussed and priorities identified.

Regional representatives of ECPAT presented reports about the activities in their geographical areas. There were seven reports covering Asia, Africa, Pacific, Western Europe, Eastern Europe, North America and Latin America. The reporting session provided the groups and affiliates a forum for discussion and debate, as well as an opportunity for groups to share and learn from each other's experiences.

Experts from government, inter-government and academic fields were called upon to share their expertise with participants. Keynote speeches delivered at the Assembly increased the information base of participants and enhanced their capacities for dealing with the various actors who influence the legal, social and economic environment.

The final event scheduled for the International Assembly was the launch and distribution of the third Agenda for Action Report, □A Step Forward□.

Donors

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International Young People's Participation Project

Donors

• APHD (Asia Partnership for Human Development) • The Belgian Government • Danida (the Royal Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs) • Kinderen in De Knel • Bread for the World • Church of Sweden, Embassy of Finland (Bangkok) • ICCO (InterChurch Organization for Development Cooperation) • Irish Aid • Stichting Kinderpostzegels • OAK Foundation • The Council for World Mission • Trocaire (Irish Catholic Agency for World Development) • World Bank

Staff

• Alexia Huxley - Programme Director (Bangkok) - January to August 1999 • Olivier Perrais □ Programme Director (Bangkok) - August to December 1999 • Amihan Abueva - Project Director (Manila) • Theresa de la Cruz - Project Administrator (Manila) • Guia D. Cabactulan □ Administrator (Manila) • Carolina Francisco □ Research Assistant (Manila) • Lyzel Elias □ Researcher/ Writer (Manila) • Rosalie Matilac - Information Officer (Manila) • Narita G. Cortes □ Conference Organiser (Manila) • Blanca Selina O. Mabunga □ IYPPP Secretariat Staff (Manila)

Background

The International Young People's Participation Project (IYPPP) aims to increase the level of young people's participation in the campaign against CSEC. It does this by collaborating with National Partners in over 30 countries. These partners are local organisations working with young people. The Project Secretariat, located in Manila, as-

sists the National Partners in developing participatory projects with young people or to improve existing projects. The project has five components: Networking, Research, Training, Public Information/Media, and the International Conference to be held in Manila in May 2000.

Activities in 1999

Networking activities have been intensive in 1999. Over 20 organisations are National Partners of the project, and several others have signified strong interest in being associated with IYPPP. Activities of national partners range from the production of videos or theater plays, to campaign activities, networking, Internet meetings/chat conferences, and raising community awareness. The Project Director helped to strengthen ties with partners and other groups by attending meetings and conferences in 15 countries. In the Philippines, the Host Committee for the International Conference brings together members of more than a dozen organisations including Government and UN Agencies, local and international NGOs.

The main achievement of 1999 for the research component was the completion of the research study: □ Standing up for ourselves: A study on young people's rights to participation □. The study is divided into three main parts: A review of literature and documented experiences of child participation, country reports on child participation projects, and interviews with young people.

Several training activities took place in 1999. In April, one training workshop to prepare the young people involved in the organisation of the conference took place in the Philippines. 58 young people from 9 to 23 years of age, belonging to 13 different organisations participated in the workshop. This was followed by a pilot caregivers training in July, also in the Philippines. Finally, in September, the training for the facilitators of the International Conference took place in Manila, involving 18 young people from 8 countries around the world. All training workshops were highly successful.

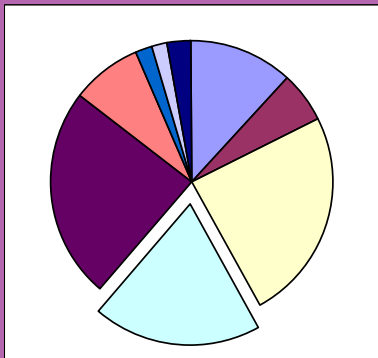
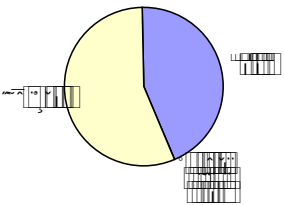
A person was added to the IYPPP secretariat staff in May to take care of public information and media work. Activities included training of young people on how to work with the media, production of brochures, as well as numerous papers and articles on the project.

The IYPPP project staff are preparing for the international conference of young people to be held in Manila from the 21st to the 25th of May 2000. At this conference delegates

aged 14 to 21 years from over 30 countries will share their experiences, views and recommendations on youth participation, the fight to end CSEC and how to implement the Stockholm Agenda for Action. The programme, dates, and venue have been finalised, a conference organiser has been appointed and several training sessions related to the event have been held.

Planned activities in 2000

The highlight of the project will be the May conference. Training sessions will be held in Guatemala, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Kenya, and the Philippines. Distributing research findings among the ECPAT network and other interested organisations or individuals is due to start, early 2000. Much work will be done on public information and the media component before, during, and after the International Conference. An evaluation of the IYPPP project and plans for its integration within the ECPAT movement as a whole, will also be carried out.



INTERNATIONAL YOUNG PEOPLE PARTICIPATION PROJECT (IYPPP)

ITEM	1999	
Salaries and Related		55,515.88
Administrative Support		
- Rent of office and utilities	3,338.19	
- Communication costs	3,568.19	
- Administration (other)	1,500.87	
		8,407.25
Equipment		
- Purchase of office equipment	583.88	
		583.88
Program Activities		
- Networking and Resource Mobilization	6,861.17	
- Documentation, Research and Publication	6,454.45	
- Education (Curriculum Development)	22,520.48	
- PR/Media	8,508.71	
- Conference costs	3,286.63	
- International Planning Committee	23,935.91	
		71,567.35
Total Expenditures		136,074.36



ECPAT/Taksvarkki Prevention Project

Donors

- Taksvarkki ry Dagsvereke (Finland)

Staff

- Alexia Huxley - Programme Director (Bangkok) January to August 1999
- Olivier Perrais □ Programme Director (Bangkok) August to December 1999
- Jutarat Tansakul □ Project Co-ordinator (Chiang Rai)
- Supawadee Chimmanee □ Assistant Project Co-ordinator (Chiang Rai)

PARTNERS

- Co-operation in Risk Prevention Project, Ban Huay Khrai School, Chiang Rai
- The Hill Area Development Foundation □s Project for the Protection of Hill tribe Children from Sexual Exploitation, Chiang Rai
- Community Theatre Project for the Prevention of the Child Sex Trade in Northern Thailand, Chiang Mai
- The New Path Project, Lampun Women and Youth Group, Lampun
- The Life Quality Development Project to Prevent Child Prostitution, Bangkok YMCA Foundation, Phayao
- The Institute for Population and Social Research, Mahidol University, Bangkok (Advisory Team)

Background

The ECPAT/Taksvarkki Prevention Project was established in northern Thailand in 1998 with financial support from Taksvarkki ry Dagsvereke of Finland. It aims to prevent young people from the north of Thailand from entering the commercial sex industry. Five local organisations are being supported to implement prevention programs. A coordinating office located in Chiang Rai, as well as an advisory team of Professors from Mahidol University in

Bangkok, complete the project.

The projects targets children in the vulnerable age range of 7 to 18 years, and their families. The aim is to heighten the ability and confidence of the children to make decisions about their own future. A variety of means are used to reach the target group including theatre workshops, extra-curricular activities at school and community children □s clubs. In some cases these activities will provide the young people with skills which could be the basis for earning an income while remaining within their own community. One of the partner organisations provides direct financial assistance for children to attend school. All of them work to raise awareness in the community about prostitution and children □s rights. The partners also provide training on related issues: adolescents health, and sexual rights.

Activities in 1999

The five organisations continued their activities at the community level as planned. A strong focus was put on networking between the partners and with other groups working in the same field. The partners attended 2 workshops on report-writing and lessons learned sharing with the Advisory team, as well as several other workshops with the Coordinating team. The Community Theatre Group emerged as a valuable link for the project, given the fact that they have activities within the four other groups as part of their 11 project sites. This provided much help in bonding the project, as well as developing a better understanding of the different groups of children at risk in Northern Thailand.





A good relationship has developed between the communities and the groups working to combat sexual exploitation of children. Awareness of children's rights and child prostitution among the targeted populations is increasing. Adults in the community are participating in awareness raising and prevention efforts and youth leaders (volunteers) are now able to act as their own advocates. It is hoped that the awareness raising work being done in Huai Krai school will be integrated into the school curriculum in the future. The Community Theatre Group has made significant achievements in raising awareness about community problems and education about children rights. These achievements stem from the heart of the community: the children themselves.

Through theatre representations in the community, the children have been bringing out in the open issues that were previously not discussed or recognised, making them impossible to address. The HADF, Huay Krai School have organised family camps where children rights issues are discussed, New Path, and YMCA have organised parents meetings on the same issues. Other activities include children groups, radio programmes, visits to schools for children rights education or counselling, etc. YMCA has also been encouraging the formation of men's group with some success. HADF, New Path, and YMCA are working extensively to build child rights safety nets networks with schools, NGOs, GOs and other groups.

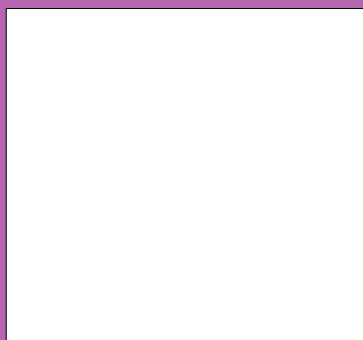
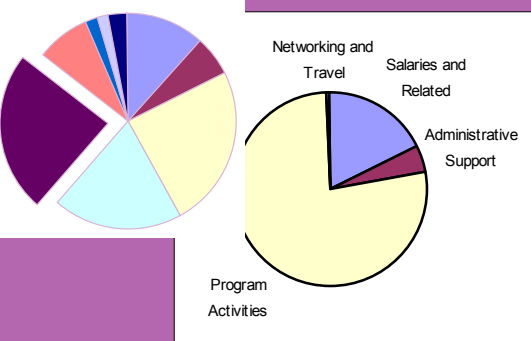
The income generating activities are used as a tool to approach children and provide a safe alternative to entering the sex trade by helping them develop within their community. They have been successful in introducing children to micro-enterprise, agricultural schemes, and other activities. Through these activities the youths gain more self-confidence, a sense of responsibility, as individuals and as a society, and learn the importance of team work and leadership.

With the first of two phases of the project coming to an end in March 2000, the Taksvarkki prevention project is in full gear. The positive results of the first two years show that the project is going in the right direction. More and more communities in northern Thailand are aware of the dangers facing them. More and more children are aware of their rights and are starting to enforce them. Fewer are entering the sex trade from this region of Thailand. No child followed by the partners as part of the Taksvarkki project has entered the sex trade, and the few who are working are in contact with their community. But despite encouraging results, children are still being abused and sold in northern Thailand, even within the target areas of the project. Therefore, much more still needs to be done. The groups fighting sexual exploitation of children must be better linked together, as our partners have realised. We need to explore more ways in which we can prevent child prostitution and reach more communities.

The first phase will be completed by a self-evaluation of the groups and a lessons-learned report from the advisory team. Finally, ECPAT International will publish a booklet describing the work done in the first phase and the lessons learned from the experience.

Planned Activities in 2000

In 2000, as Taksvarkki ry Dagsverke completes its commitment towards ECPAT International, our prevention project will need new funders. The project will stay much the same as in the first phase. Six groups will be selected instead of five, emphasis will be put on networking, and the work of all the partners, including the coordinating office, will be adapted according to the lessons learned from the first phase. The next phase of the project is designed to last three years, after which an evaluation of the outcomes of the six years will be conducted.



TAKSVARKKI PREVENTION PROJECT

ITEM	1999
Salaries and Related	31,427.96
Administrative Support	
- Rent of office in Chiang Rai	2,122.28
- Running Costs: electricity, water supply, telephone, stationery etc.	3,555.73
- Travel and related costs	1,730.39
- Information technology: computer and maintenance	83.30
	7,491.70
Program Activities	
- Funding to partner projects in Northern Thailand	103,736.26
- Meetings and training for partners	1,913.68
- Resource development	491.36
- Technical support	5,324.12
- Other Program Activities	23,908.49
	135,373.91
Networking and Travel	
- Monitoring missions to Chiang Rai and attendance at workshops and meetings on related issues	397.84
	397.84
Total Expenditures	174,691.41



Fund for Children

Donors

- UNICEF Germany

Staff

- Alexia Huxley - Programme Director (January to November 1999)
- Olivier Perrais - Programme Director (from November 1999)
- Per Vogel □ Project Coordinator (until May 1999)

Background

The Fund for Children was started in 1995 with the main aim of improving the recovery services available to children who have experienced commercial sexual exploitation. The activities of this project focus primarily on capacity building through human resource development. Through the Fund for Children, ECPAT International has been providing training and other developmental opportunities to staff caring for these children in priority regions.

Activities in 1999

In 1999, the activities of the Fund for Children were hampered by a lack of funding. Apart from the conclusion of activities started in 1998, only one project was implemented: □ Training activities in Latin America and the Caribbean for child care professionals involved in the fight against CSEC □.

The main project left unfinished in 1998 was the □ Training Needs Assessment □ (TNA) in Nepal. As the assessment mission finished only in December 1998, a lot was still left to do in the following year. The activities for this project in 1999 included the writing, layout, printing and distribution of the report on the TNA in Nepal. ECPAT International has decided not to implement training activities in Nepal, considering that sufficient expertise already exists there. We do hope, however, that the NGO groups working in Nepal will be interested in following up with action on the findings of the TNA report, and remain open to coopera-

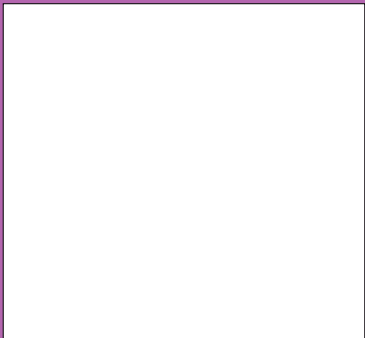
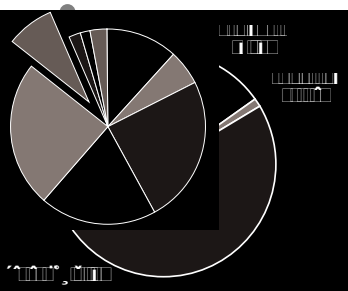
tion in that regard.

The only capacity building project under the Fund for Children for 1999 took place in Latin America. A 1997 study identified the need to strengthen the capacity of professionals, and build on existing skills and experiences. The project, therefore, aimed to develop an adequate methodology that could be easily duplicated throughout the region. 52 participants from twelve countries were chosen based on their previous work in programs and projects related to the theme; prior experience of relevance to the problem; and an interest in reproducing the training in their own country (Bolivia, Brazil, Costa Rica, Colombia, Chile, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Dominican Republic and Uruguay).

Workshop activities included sharing experiences and exchanging information on the following topics: prevention, psycho-social rehabilitation of youth, training judges, and socio-cultural perceptions of child prostitution and sex tourism. Other activities included working groups to discuss the current situation of CSEC in the region, strategic directions, and methodology development. One of the most important outcomes of the training workshop was the Methodology Guide. In addition, the number of actors involved in the issue has increased significantly, and includes governments, civil society, NGOs, UN bodies, and multi lateral organizations such as the World Bank and the Inter-American Children's Institute. Follow up workshops were held in 6 of the countries in 1999, and we are hopeful that similar workshops will be held in the 6 remaining countries in 2000.

Planned activities 2000

ECPAT International plans to regenerate capacity building activities as part of the Fund for Children in 2000. Priority areas will include Africa, Eastern Europe, and Asia.



FUND FOR CHILDREN

ITEM	1999	
Salaries and Related		8,485.50
Administrative Support		
- Communication, stationery etc.	803.36	
		803.36
Program Activities		
- Deduction of portion of accrued consultants fees	-293.55	
- Conduct of training courses	3,953.24	
- Training in Rehabilitation in Latin America	43,000.60	
		46,660.29
Total Expenditures		55,949.15



Preventing Child Sex Tourism

Donors

- Kinder in de Knel and the OAK Foundation.

Staff

- Muireann O Briain - Executive Director

Background

Action to combat child sex tourism has been one of the main priorities of the ECPAT campaign since the very beginning. ECPAT groups and travel industry organisations, particularly in Europe and the Pacific, are working together to raise awareness about child sex tourism. Their campaigns include codes of conduct, luggage labels, training materials for tourism personnel and brochures to alert tour operators, tourist industry staff and travellers to the problem.

Activities in 1999

During 1999 ECPAT International sought funds to implement the strategy on combating child sex tourism which had been devised by a Steering Group in 1998. This involved seeking funds to support a "Tourism Desk" at the International Secretariat. When funds were only adequate to support such a desk for a six month period the Executive Committee decided instead to appoint a consultant to

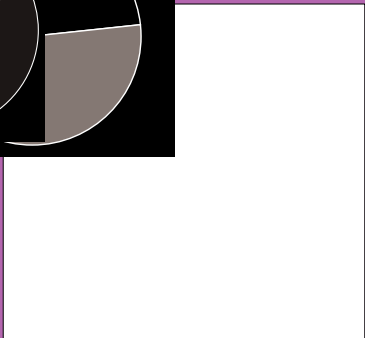
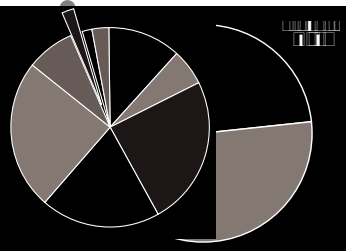
begin implementation of the strategy.

Groupe Developpement in France was identified as an organisation which not only had long experience in the field, but was also willing to bring its funds into the work of implementing the ECPAT Tourism Strategy. In September 1999 the Executive Committee appointed Groupe Developpement as the ECPAT Tourism Consultant. The terms of reference are to carry out research into actions, strategies and tools worldwide to combat child sex tourism, and to devise a programme of action to combat child sex tourism at national, regional and international level. The discussions held with the ECPAT network during the International Assembly will provide the framework for the work of the consultant.

In November 1999 ECPAT was represented at the meeting of the Task Force on tourism and child prostitution of the World Trade Organisation in London by Herve Barioulet of Groupe Developpement and the new Chairperson of ECPAT International, Josephine de Linde.

Planned activities in 2000

The consultancy, which began in October 1999, will continue until October 2000 after which the future of ECPAT's work against child sex tourism will be evaluated



PREVENTING CHILD SEX TOURISM

ITEM	1999	
Salaries and Related		3,225.99
Program Activities		
- Travel and networking trips	469.66	
- Research	10,000.00	
		10,469.66
Total Expenditures		13,695.65



Preventing Child Pornography on the Internet

Donors

- Kinder in de Knel and the OAK Foundation.

Staff

- Muireann O Briain ☐ Executive Director
- Riita Koskela ☐ Volunteer (August 98 ☐ July 99)

Background

This project aims to prevent the spread of child pornography on the Internet and to find ways to bring to justice those who produce, possess and distribute child pornography.

Activities in 1999

The principle activity during 1999 was the writing of a booklet on child pornography intended to be used by ECPAT groups, other NGOs and law enforcement authorities working to combat this issue. The text of the booklet had to be edited, and new material added, for which purposes a consultant editor was engaged in December 1999.

During the year, ECPAT responded to numerous queries and complaints about child pornography on the Internet. The International Secretariat also continued its advice service on legislative reform, supplying legislative examples to legislators and NGOs who wish to press for reform in their own jurisdiction.

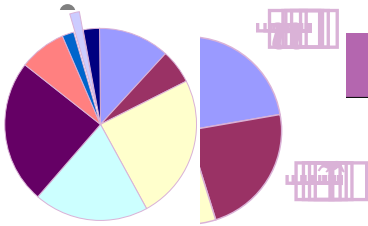
ECPAT assisted with the content and preparations for a conference in January at UNESCO in Paris on the subject of child pornography on the Internet. As a result of that meeting an Action Plan was devised, addressed both to UNESCO and to other actors. UNESCO later launched its ☐ Innocence in Danger ☐ programme, aimed at sensitising

public opinion to child pornography on the Internet and mobilising resources to make the Net a safer place for children. Other important developments were also followed by ECPAT, including the work of the Internet Content Rating Alliance and an inter-governmental conference in Vienna, in September 1999, on child pornography on the Internet. Denise Ritchie, Chairman of ECPAT New Zealand, and a new member of ECPAT ☐s Executive Committee attend the conference on behalf of ECPAT International.

In Canada, ECPAT International was granted intervenor status in an important case concerning the possession of child pornography and freedom of speech. Along with other NGOs including its affiliate, Beyond Borders, and the national group ECPAT Canada, ECPAT argued that the rights of children to protection took precedence over the right of free speech in the context of child pornography. The case was lost in the Court of Appeal of British Columbia and is now under appeal to the Supreme Court of Canada. The intervenors have been joined by two other NGOs: the Children ☐s Rights Tribunal and Canadians against Sexual Exploitation. The case has aroused widespread interest in Canada and throughout the world because of the conflict of rights issues it raises. The appeal was heard in January 2000.

Planned activities in 2000

During 2000 ECPAT intends to publish the booklet on child pornography. The Secretariat will also seek to streamline its resource material to be able to respond more coherently to requests for information on legislation and case law and will promote the findings from the Vienna intergovernmental conference.



PREVENTING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

ITEM	1999	
Salaries and Related		2,921.15
Administrative Support		
- Office supplies, communication, office utilities etc.	2,937.76	2,937.76
Program Activities		
- Child pornography book	7,125.83	7,125.83
Total Expenditures		12,984.74



Promoting Law Enforcement & Best Law Practices

Donors

• Dienste in Ubersee • Kinder in de Knel • the OAK Foundation

Staff

• Muireann O Briain □ Executive Director

Background

The Law Enforcement Project aims to assist police officers in understanding their duties and responsibility to protect children from commercial sexual exploitation. Practical training has been carried out in several countries of South East Asia. ECPAT, through the services of its consultant, also supports research and offers advice in the area of extraterritorial jurisdiction.

Activities in 1999

The advice service which ECPAT International has been supplying on legislation and law enforcement to protect children from sexual exploitation has continued during the year. This service is continuously in demand although official funding ended in June 1999.

Further legal materials were added to the Resource Centre, including the new legislation in Japan with its official translation into English.

Numerous requests were received for the Case Studies on Extraterritorial Jurisdiction which was published in February 1999 by the Law Enforcement Group of ECPAT Europe. As this study is extremely large, the requests

were usually forwarded to DCI Netherlands which was the coordinating organisation for this work. In urgent cases, photocopies of relevant parts were sent in answer to requests for information. A smaller edition is to be produced in Europe which will make distribution easier.

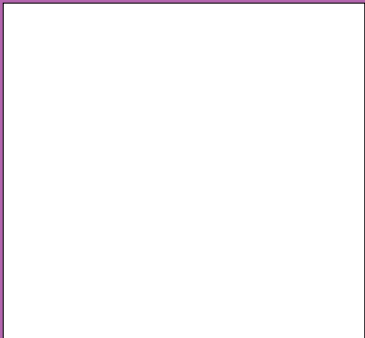
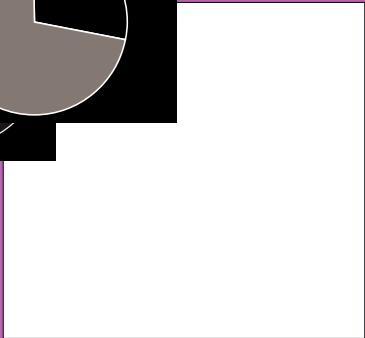
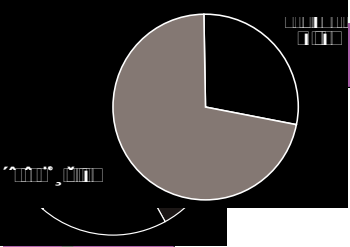
The Executive Director was part of a Working Group of the International Association of Prosecutors which elaborated a set of child-friendly legal procedures for handling cases of sexually exploited children. These will be promoted during the year 2000 after their final adoption by the I.A.P.

The Executive Director also held a workshop on extraterritorial jurisdiction in the context of a conference in Cape Town in March 1999 on the commercial sexual exploitation of children in South Africa.

Resource material on trafficking of children was assembled and documented to improve the services of the International Secretariat in the provision of information.

Planned activities in 2000

Plans for 2000 include the publication of handbooks on legislation and procedures relating to sexual offences against children in a number of countries. NGOs working with abused and trafficked children, and law enforcement officers, can benefit from simplified information which identifies their duties towards children and the rights of children against sexual exploitation. ECPAT also intends to continue and to improve the legal advisory service.



PROMOTING LAW ENFORCEMENT AND BEST LAW PRACTISE

ITEM	1999	
Salaries and Related		5,442.35
Program Activities		
- Mission	182.42	
- Legal Assistance	9,814.74	
- Other Program Activities	3,723.63	
		13,720.79
Total Expenditures		19,163.14



Administration & Support

Staff

• Muireann O Briain - Executive Director • Jamnonglux Nakviroj - Office Manager • Magnus Nilsson - Financial Assistant • Manida Naebklang - Office Clerk

Background

The administration staff provide the communications, budgeting and accounting, fundraising, reporting to donors, computer maintenance, filing, and other systems necessary for the operation of the office in Bangkok. We also provide all the above services, except for filing and computer services, for the offices in Chiang Rai and Manila, in collaboration with the staff of those offices.

Activities in 1999

ECPAT International receives and disburses money around the world in various currencies and for a wide variety of projects. The new accounting system installed in 1998 became fully operational in 1999, so that for the first time, all the accounting was carried on in Bangkok. The increased workload and the increasing diversity of the activities of ECPAT meant that the job of Financial Assistant, originally held as a volunteer position, will be a full officer position in the year 2000.

All project budgets now contain a provision for administration; funds are allocated to Administration and Support out of every donation.

Funds were spent during the year on staff training, in particular, to equip the office staff and the networking staff with specific skills. Upgrading language and computer skills among staff continues.

Regional and inter-regional travel was carried out to increase the level of ECPAT International participation in international events and to widen our lists of contacts.

The ECPAT Foundation in Thailand was registered, providing a vehicle through which funds can be channeled for work against child sexual exploitation in Thailand. ECPAT International houses the new Foundation and provides the management and administrative services.

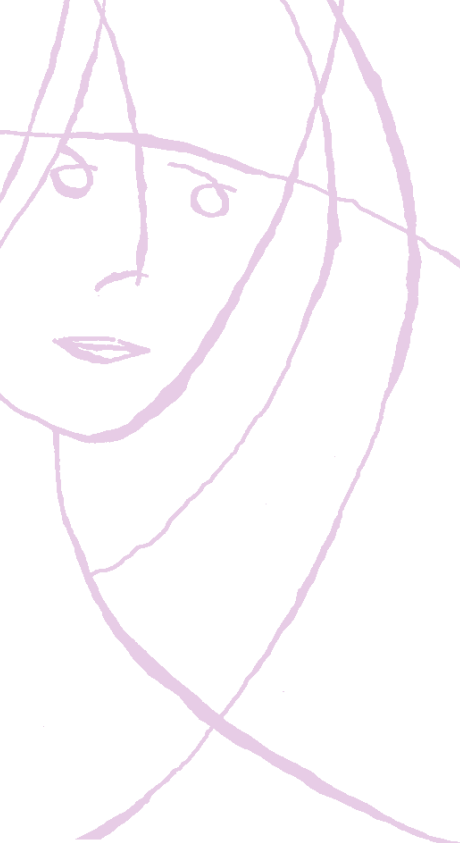
There were three Executive Committee meetings in 1999, but two of these took place in Bangkok during the International Assembly. A new Committee was elected at the Assembly.

Planned activities in 2000

The Administration and Support part of the budget ended the year with a surplus. This leaves the organisation in an excellent position for 2000. There are necessary renovations to be carried out in the office to accommodate additional staff. The organisation will also be able to carry temporary cash-flow delays, which in the past have caused serious problems for the viability of ECPAT.

ADMINISTRATION

ITEM	1999	
Salaries and Related		61,816.99
Staff Development		
- Computer Training/Training in Project Management	480.05	
- Financial Package/Child Rights Training	1,117.88	
- Language training	669.94	
- Other	121.06	
		2,388.93
Administration		
- Phone and Fax	6,068.10	
- Dispatch	1,415.36	
- Stationery and Supplies	2,118.62	
		9,602.08
Financial Expenses		
- Maintenance of accounting package	507.81	
- Registration expenses	5,923.37	
- Financial Expenses Others	6,579.53	
		13,010.71
Executive Committee Meetings		
- Budapest	10,168.04	
		10,168.04
Staff travel		
- Fundraising	3,507.67	
- Regional and inter-regional travel	4,628.60	
- Local transport	530.85	
		8,667.12
Office Rent & Maintenance		
- Rent	8,004.44	
- Utilities	5,241.84	
- Repair	1,358.64	
- Insurance	530.23	
		15,135.15
Refurbishment of Office		153.51
Depreciation		2,386.83
Contingency		1,442.95
Total Expenditure		124,772.31
Donor		
- APHD		
- Bread for the World		
- Caritas Netherlands		
- Christian Aid		
- Church of Sweden		
- Danida		
- Dienste in Ubersee		
- ICCO		
- Irish Aid		
- Kinderen in De Knel		
- Kinderpostzegels		
- Miserior		
- National Council of Churches in Australia		
- OAK Foundation		
- SIDA		
- The Council for World Mission		
- Trocaire		
- UNICEF Germany		
- Wild Geese		
- World Bank		
- Other Donations		
- Gain/Loss on Exchange Rate		
- Others		



1.1 Monitoring the Stockholm Agenda for Action	84,641.92
1.3 Information and Publication	40,943.98
2.1 Developing Network	172,509.19
2.2 Youth Participation	136,074.36
2.3a Taksvarkki	174,691.41
2.3b Fund for Children	55,949.15
3.1 Preventing Child Sex Tourism	13,695.65
3.2 Preventing Child Pornography on the Internet	12,984.74
3.3 Legal Reforms and Law Enforcement	19,163.14
Total	710,653.54

Australia



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Background:

ECPAT Australia is a coalition of agencies and individuals who are committed to ending CSEC. Its objectives include increasing public education and lobbying government and non-government agencies for more effective prevention and intervention strategies.

National Director: Bernadette McMenamin

Contact person: Bernadette McMenamin

Activities in 1999:

- **Work in the Pacific:** In January, ECPAT Australia delivered a keynote address on CSEC at the Solomon Islands first Child Protection Conference and in March/April 1999, ECPAT Australia conducted training and workshops in Samoa on the Prevention of the Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children.

- **Child Wise Tourism:** In March, ECPAT Australia launched the Child Wise Tourism Training Programme. This three-month project, funded by AusAid was piloted in Thailand, Vietnam, and Cambodia. In August, ECPAT Australia presented the outcomes of the training programme to the International Tourism Asia (ITA) travel trade conference in Hong Kong.

- Over the last year, ECPAT Australia has given lectures to over 20 tourism schools and training colleges around Australia focusing on child sex tourism issues and preventative strategies from a tourism industry perspective.

- ECPAT Australia has been monitoring cases of Australians prosecuted for sexual crimes against children overseas.

- ECPAT Australia has been a founding

and ongoing member of the Steering Group that is overseeing the development of Australia's National Plan to eliminate CSEC. The framework for the Australian National Plan of Action will be completed in 2000.

- **Choose with Care** training programme: ECPAT Australia is developing a training programme to accompany its Choose with Care handbook for guidance in recruiting staff in organisations working with children. ECPAT Australia delivered the training in Nepal, Bangladesh and Switzerland.

- In August, ECPAT Australia launched **Protecting Children Everywhere**. This campaign consisted of three television advertisements which were aired nationally as community service announcements. The advertisements were made by a group of independent film makers as a donation to the work of ECPAT.

- ECPAT Australia won the ACFOA (The Australian Council for Overseas Aid) Human Rights Award in 1999.

Planned activities in 2000:

- ECPAT Australia will expand the **Child Wise Tourism** training programme into Cambodia, Indonesia and the Philippines.

- ECPAT Australia will introduce **Out of Line** consisting of an educational website, a hotline to report child pornography sites and a national educational programme on safe use of the Internet.

Number of staff:

3 paid members of staff and volunteers

Belgium



ECPAT-Belgium

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Background:

ECPAT-Belgium was founded in 1994. It is a coalition of more than thirty NGOs working on the issue of human rights, child rights, and other development problems. ECPAT-Belgium produces a quarterly newsletter and has a resource centre which is open to the public.

Contact person: Katlijn Declercq

Activities in 1999:

- Training for embassy staff and police on how to treat foreign victims.
- Evaluation of extraterritorial legislation in Belgium, in partnership with the Centre pour l'Egalite des chances, and a project about child pornography, in partnership with Child Focus.
- Involvement in 18 trials where extraterritorial law was applied.
- Organisation of the National Youth Con-

ference in Belgium, with two hundred young boys and girls coming from Limbourg, Bruxelles and Wallonie. In association with Child Focus, the Kinderrechten Commissariaat-Vlaanderen, the Children's Ombudsman, the centre pour l'Egalite des chances, UNICEF, Huis and Leuven cities. Preparation of a conference report which will be sent to the Belgian government.

- European project aimed at raising tourist awareness including the distribution of thousands of luggage-tags.
- Project to cooperate with the Belgian Ministry of Education on the curriculum in Schools of Tourism.
- Participation in the research programme for sustainable tourism
- Report about extraterritorial legislation in Europe.

Number of staff:

- 2 part-time members of staff

Brazil



Cedeca Bahia

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Background:

ECPAT Brazil (formerly known as CEDECA) is a NGO that works for the protection of children's rights and the elimination of child sexual exploitation. Its work also involves raising awareness among students in schools and conducting research in order to create a database of CSEC topics.

Contact person: Helia Barbosa

Activities in 1999:

- Three representatives of ECPAT Brazil participated in the first ECPAT International Assembly in Bangkok, in September.
- The Third National Meeting of ECPAT-Brazil was held in December, in Recife, Brazil.
- ECPAT Brazil developed a National Plan of Action on Sexual Abuse and the Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children and Adolescents that was presented at the Third National Meeting.

Canada



ECPAT Canada

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Background:

ECPAT Canada, established in 1991, was set up as the Canadian Committee to Support the International Campaign to End Prostitution in Asian Tourism. It has since then campaigned against the commercial sexual exploitation of children by means of public education, advocacy for legislation and building a network in the country. It is a broad-based coalition composed of representatives from the major Canadian churches — the United, Anglican, and Presbyterian Churches.

Contact person: Pauline Hedmann

Activities in 1999:

- In March, ECPAT Canada joined Beyond Borders and ECPAT International in filing an affidavit in the British Columbia Court of Appeal to request intervenor status in the case of the Queen VS. Sharpe. They tried to persuade the B.C. Court of Appeal to overturn the ruling of a British Columbia Supreme Court that Canadians have a constitutional right to possess child pornography if it is for private use and not for production or distribution.
- Two representatives of ECPAT Canada participated in the first ECPAT International Assembly in Bangkok in September.

Colombia

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Executive Director: Stella Cardenas O.

Contact person: Stella Cardenas O.

Activities in 1999:

- At government level, ECPAT Columbia has been instrumental in developing a programme called HAZ PAZ. The main focus of this initiative is working with families to avoid maltreatment of children as well as developing means of intervention when appropriate.
- At city level (Santafe de Bogota), the District Council and the Inter-Institutional Committee have established — Agreement 12 — to prevent the sexual exploitation and abuse of children. It was designed as part of the preven-

tion strategy with the participation of various governmental and non-governmental institutions working together on this issue.

- Furthermore, in 1999 a special unit was inaugurated - — Against Sexual Crimes Unit — (translated from Spanish) comprising such governmental and non-governmental institutions as the National Bureau of General Prosecutors, the Legal/Medical and Criminology Institution, the Colombian Institute of Family Welfare and other institutions. The aim behind the creation of this unit is to change legislation in order to deal with the sexual abuse of children as well as offering medical and psychological treatment to the victims of child sexual abuse.

El Salvador

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Background:

ECPAT El Salvador, established in 1997 does not have an Executive Director. The management is composed of 5 institutions: Institution Salvadoreño de Protección al Menor, Asociación de Mujeres Flor de Piedra, Asociación de Mujeres Salvadoreñas, Defensa de los Niños Internacional y el Cuerpo de Agentes Metropolitanos. The coalition is made up of various governmental and non-governmental groups that work on the issue of sexually exploited children.

Contact Person: Ana Kelly Rivera

Activities in 1999:

- Drafting and implementing the National Plan of Action
- Training for young people and trainers on the commercial sexual exploitation of children
- Public awareness raising campaign
- Promoting changes in current legislation

Planned activities in 2000:

- ECPAT El Salvador will continue the activities outlined above.

Number of staff:

17 members of staff

Ethiopia



ECPAT Ethiopia Forum on Street Children (FSCE)

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Background:

Forum on Street Children was established in 1996. It focuses on young girls who are victims of sexual exploitation and works with schools, policy makers and the public. Its main objective is to contribute towards the prevention and reduction of the sexual exploitation of children by promoting and supporting preventive measures and by making support facilities available to victims to help them lead healthy and productive lives.

Contact person: Fasil Mariam

Activities in 1999:

- FSCE organised a panel discussion on the social, health and legal aspects of violence against children. One of the outcomes of the discussion was the development of an improved affidavit certificate that will include all the necessary information needed to facilitate the prosecution of sex abusers.

ecution of sex abusers.

- It also organised workshops for the police, community leaders, schools and brothel operators on the sexual exploitation of children. The workshops created a lot of interest in CSEC.
- A plan of action was developed to initiate child-friendly court procedures and clinics to help children who are sexually abused. The police, through the child protection unit, agreed to provide necessary information for the concerned groups.
- At a Drop-In Centre, social workers were able to create closer relationships with the children and hold discussions on safe-sex practices.
- FSCE also organised a sub-regional workshop on sexual exploitation of children. Participants came from Uganda, Tanzania, Kenya and Zambia and all agreed to create a stronger network within the sub-region.

Finland



The Mannerheim League for Child Welfare/ ECPAT Finland

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Background:

The Mannerheim League for Child Welfare (MLCW) is a civic organisation that promotes the welfare of families with children. MLCW finances the ECPAT projects. The Children's Ombudsman, a legal expert working on behalf of children and young people, is responsible for ECPAT work. She monitors the decisions of the Stockholm Congress and reports on the implementation of the Agenda for Action in Finland. She has also worked to have child pornography banned in the country and has conducted a campaign against child sex tourism.

Children's Ombudsman: Helena Molander

Contact person: Helena Molander

Activities in 1999:

- Children and safe use of the Internet:

this is an EU-project which has been an ongoing project for ECPAT Finland. It has been an ongoing awareness raising work. Many parents have visited the website since it began in 1998 and the Finnish Ministry of Finance made a link to the website.

- Cases of paedophilia on the Internet were reported to the Children's Ombudsman and were the subject of several television programmes and newspaper articles.

- The Children's Ombudsman participated in several meetings. These included Inhope Forum Meetings concerning safe use of the Internet, the Unesco Conference on The Sexual Abuse of Children, Child Pornography and Paedophilia on the Internet in January, as well as the International Conference on Combating Child Pornography on the Internet in Vienna in September/October 1999.

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Background:

ECPAT-France was founded on 23 December 1996. In partnership with ECPAT-Luxembourg, Groupe Développement funds and implements the Secretariat of ECPAT-France, as well as the co-ordinating of programmes relating to sex tourism.

Executive Director: Herve Barioulet

Contact person: Herve Barioulet

Activities in 1999:

- Prevention of sex tourism involving children by awareness-raising activities within the tourist industry. Campaigns addressed to tourism professionals, workshops with NGOs, tourism professionals (tourist guides, syndicates, trainers) and the police (INTERPOL).
- A leaflet was published, aimed at tourism professionals and distributed to travel agencies, the tourism industry and tourism training schools.
- A training module has been produced for students and teachers in Tourism Schools.
- An information campaign to raise public awareness on the issue of sex tourism was initiated with a published insert in various tourist guides and inside tourist industry booklets.
- Preparation of a European campaign, organised between the European ECPAT Network, IECTAA (Groupement des associations nationales d'agents de voyage en Europe), supported by the European Commission - 590 000 leaflets were distributed in Europe.

- An inflight video was shown to international passengers during Air France flights alerting them to sex tourism and the penalties involved. This campaign was very successful.

- Participation in the research programme for sustainable tourism by a scientific committee in cooperation with the UN agency for the environment, CNUCED, the World Tourism Organisation, the Sri Lanka Tourism Office and the European Council.

- ECPAT France also campaigned on extraterritorial legislation and tried to improve its application in Europe, in partnership with Juristes du Monde. They helped with the publication *Extraterritorial Legislation as a Tool to Combat Sexual Exploitation of Children*, ECPAT Europe Law Enforcement Group, Amsterdam, April 1999.

- ECPAT France cooperated with the Ministry of Defence and sent a leaflet to all soldiers explaining about the legislation and the military sanctions that would be applied for abusing children.

- Several thousand luggage stickers were distributed by a multinational company Rhône Poulenc to all their expatriate staff.

- ECPAT France participated in the UNESCO conference about child pornography and the Internet in January and also took part in the publicity surrounding the premiere of the French film *The Lost Son* in April, 1999

Number of staff:

2 members of staff.

Germany

ECPAT Deutschland

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Background:

In March 1999, ECPAT Germany was reorganised, restructured and moved to a new office. ECPAT Germany now has 26 member organisations, a mixture of action groups, advice centres, aid agencies and donors.

Contact person: Mechtild Maurer

Activities in 1999:

- *Child sex tourism:* ECPAT Germany campaigned for the implementation of the Certified Code of Conduct developed by ECPAT Sweden, it translated the CCC and began to negotiate with a couple of tour operators. In 1999, ECPAT Germany started planning an exhibition on Child Labour in Tourism with specific focus on child prostitution in Basle, the exhibition opening is planned for the International Tourism Fair in Berlin in March 2000.

- *Youth Participation/IYPPP:* ECPAT Germany has supported a group of young boys from Germany to attend the IYPPP meeting in May. It organised a postcard competition under the title keep fingers away and close the trousers.

- *Law enforcement:* ECPAT Germany with a group of lawyers have carried out some case studies and co-operated with the police and judiciary. This group has started to research the deficiencies of the new German extraterri-

torial laws.

- *Trafficking in children for sexual purposes:* a project proposal was written to seek funding for a project on a public awareness campaign about the situation of minor migrants from eastern Europe.

- *Internet/Child pornography:* ECPAT Germany has started to work with the different networks and round-table dialogues in that are presently taking place in the country.

- *Media work:* ECPAT Germany produced several press releases and articles throughout the year. It also informed approximately 350 tour operators, tour agencies and 100 tourism school teachers about this project.

- *General activities:* A flyer about ECPAT Germany was produced. Its representatives participated as resource persons in several meetings and seminars as well as responding to information inquiries. We organised visits of resource persons from third world countries and worked together with the European network. We also participated in the first ECPAT International Assembly in Bangkok, 1999.

Planned activities in 2000:

- ECPAT Germany is planning a campaign against child prostitution in association with German border police for April/May 2000 and will produce a flyer and brochure about the tourism certified code of conduct.

Ireland

ECPAT Ireland

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Background:

ECPAT Ireland seeks to carry out the objectives of the main ECPAT mission. The group consists of a small number of committed Irish individuals who act in a voluntary capacity as necessary.

Chairman: Tom McGrath

Contact person: Tom McGrath

Activities in 1999:

ECPAT Ireland provided funding to the following organisations -:

- SOS Telephone for Women and Child Victims of Violence to assist them in advertising their services.
- Defence des Enfants, Burundi - to provide a fax machine for their organisation.
- International Office - to study the financial structures of the International Office in Bangkok.
- Two representatives of ECPAT Ireland participated in the first ECPAT International Assembly in Bangkok in September.

Planned activities in 2000:

The organisation is considering the following programme for the forthcoming year- :

- Research into what is being done in Ireland regarding the sexual exploitation of children, the major gaps that exist in legislation, the lack of a National Plan of Action, etc.
- Liaising with other organisations to lobby for the drafting of a National Plan.
- Liaising with training organisations with a view to the adoption of anti child sex tourism measures in their training programmes.
- Raising funds from grants and donations, and providing funding from its resources to groups or organisations having similar objectives either in Ireland or elsewhere.

Donors in 1999:

Funding was provided by a single private donor, consequently ECPAT Ireland has very limited financial resources.

Italy



ECPAT-Italia

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Background:

ECPAT Italy grew out of an organisation called ONLUS, which in Italian means a non profit organization of social utility.

Chairperson: Mara Gattoni

Contact person: Françoise Barner Vice President and Perla Goseco (for matters concerning the tourism sector).

Activities in 1999:

- An exhibition of the work of ECPAT Italy was held at the BIT-International Tourism Fair in February, and at the Mediterranean Tourism Fair in Milan in April.

- The Blitz Campaign: launched nationwide in March, involved travel agents distributing ticket-jackets produced by ECPAT Italy. This project was financed by the Italian Department of Tourism.

- Production of a television advertisement against child sex tourism, financed again by the Department of Tourism. The advertisement was shown on 3 state television channels in July.

- In June, ECPAT Italy organised an International Conference: "The Sexual Exploitation of Minors in Tourism" under the auspices of the European Commission with contributions from the Ministry of Social Affairs and the Min-

istry of Foreign Affairs. At the conference, a draft Code of Conduct for the tourism industry was agreed among the main Italian tour operators and travel agents associations.

- ECPAT Italy made many contributions to TV and radio programs, to newspapers, magazine articles and to events organized by other associations and public institutions.

- Sigma Travel System, which is part of GALILEO C.R.S. (Computer Reservation System) agreed to include an "ECPAT Corner" in their review and an "ECPAT Online" for their clients.

- ECPAT Italy also collaborated with Virgin Express to increase that company's involvement in the ECPAT mission.

Planned activities in 2000:

- Educational and training project on the issue of the sexual exploitation of children. The project is funded by the Province of Rome and will be aimed at teachers in the province's schools.

- Other projects such as trafficking in children and the hotline project.

- Publishing a newsletter.

Number of staff:

- 3 full-time members of staff and 9 volunteers.

Kenya

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Background:

ECPIK network is a coalition of NGOs who came together with the objective of eradicating child sexual abuse and exploitation in Kenya. ECPIK was formed in 1995 by individuals from organisations working with children. It now has a membership of 30 NGOs and governmental departments are represented. The

main objectives of ECPIK are: to disseminate and exchange information on child sexual exploitation; to lobby for policies, laws and programmes to protect children, and to strengthen the capacity of member organisations to eradicate of child sexual abuse.

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Luxembourg

ECPAT Luxembourg

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Background:

ECPAT Luxembourg was registered in 1995 as a non-profit association. Its members come from NGOs, law firms and the tourist industry. In the past three years, the group's activities have included human rights issues and juridical support, and sex tourism, as well as projects to prevent child prostitution.

Chairman: Victor Gillen

Contact person: Jean-Marie Joly

Activities in 1999:

- ECPAT Luxembourg received permission to raise public funds for its projects from the Foreign Office and the Family and Social Affairs Minister. In 1999, ECPAT Luxembourg raised more than 6 million LUF - approximately US \$170,000.

- It also started to raise private funds for projects and NGOs working against the commercial sexual exploitation of children in developing countries. By August 1999,

US\$80,000 had been raised.

- ECPAT Luxembourg worked very closely with the Ministry of Justice and the Ministry of Family to promote new laws against the commercial sexual exploitation of children in the country.

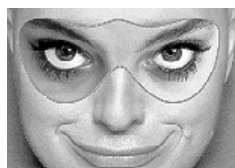
- ECPAT Luxembourg worked with the Ministry of Family and the Ministry of National Education to integrate resources for students in tourism into the national programme. They also organised a national campaign, in cooperation with travel agents, to distribute luggage tags among tourists.

Planned activities in 2000:

- Supporting ECPAT International Programmes and offering help and advice to local programmes for children in southern developing countries.

- The Air France video will be adapted by the Ministry of Family and aired on RTL channels.

Netherlands



ECPAT Netherlands

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Background:

ECPAT Netherlands has been in existence since 1995. The founding members were Children at Risk, Child Welfare Stamps, the Human Rights Committee of the Council of Churches, Retour Foundation and Defence for Children International.

Contact persons: Frans de Man/ Theo Noten

Activities in 1999:

- Combating child sex tourism: the training kit for teachers of tourism was used as a training material for tour managers and tourism personnel in risk areas .
- Child Pornography on the Internet: ECPAT Netherland and Meldpunt Kinderporno started a campaign to raise awareness among children on how to use the Internet safely. 150,000 postcards were distributed in over 670 secondary schools in the Netherlands in the first two weeks of March 1999. Children can also complain about websites, chatrooms and emails by sending messages to: www.surfsafe.nl
- National Plan of Action: ECPAT Nether-

lands was involved in preparing of the National Plan of Action. This included the preparation of a national policy document on sexual violence and sexual exploitation of children . ECPAT Netherlands was invited to review this document due to its expertise in this area. The document will be used as a framework for drafting the National Plan of Action in 2000.

- Children at Risk, a partner of ECPAT Netherlands was involved in the planning and organisation of the International Youth Participation Project and World Youth Conference to be held in Manila, 2000.

- DCI Netherlands, another partner of ECPAT Netherlands, was involved in the European Law Enforcement Project, which published the report Extraterritorial Legislation As A Tool to Combat the Sexual Exploitation of Children .

- ECPAT Netherlands also organised an Internet chat programme in November on the subject of CSEC. Other ECPAT Groups, other NGOs, as well as young peoples organisations signed up to take part in the programme.

New Zealand

ECPAT New Zealand

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Background:

ECPAT New Zealand has been in existence since 1993 operating from its national office in Auckland. Its main focus is on the campaign to end child prostitution, child pornography and the trafficking of children for sexual purposes.

Chairperson: Denise Ritchie

Contact person: Lee Revell (Office Manager).

Activities in 1999:

- Child Advocacy
- Legislation reform
- Child Pornography on the Internet/ Hotline Research. ECPAT New Zealand is currently investigating the most suitable type of Hotline for the country to adopt.
- Joint initiative with the Pacific region.

Planned activities in 2000:

- Continuation of above projects
- Research on child sex tourism
- Publication □ The New Zealand Internet Safety Kit □, February 2000. This is an information pack aims at protecting children on the Internet. The publication is sponsored by the New Zealand Department of Child, Youth, and Family Services and the Ministry of Education
- Launch of the two Saatchi and Saatchi advertisements to be aired on New Zealand television with the ECPAT logo, and fund-raising phone number shown at the end of each.

Donors in 1999:

- Save the Children New Zealand
- The Tindall Foundation

Number of staff:

- 1 part-time, paid members of staff, and 4 part-time volunteers.



Norway



Save the Children Norway/ ECPAT Norway

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Contact person: Jeanette Asli

Activities in 1999:

- **Child pornography on the Internet:** In 1999 children@risk.sn.no received 5979 messages related to child pornography. Save the Children Norway initiated the closing of 1235 web pages that contained child pornography. It works closely with a special group at the Criminal Bureau of Investigation (KRIPOS) dealing with child pornography. Verified information concerning child pornography is passed on to KRIPOS, who communicate with the authorities in other countries through the Interpol system. The tips and information from Save the Children Norway constitute about 90% of all the KRIPOS cases on child pornography. Save the children Norway has had several meetings with Members of the Norwegian Parliament, Parliament's Standing Committee on Justice and the Minister of Justice and Police Affairs to lobby for more resources to be allocated to the police and for new investigation methods to be developed. ECPAT Norway has also participated in substantial media coverage on child pornography and the Internet.

- **Child Sex Tourism:** an initiative with the Norwegian tourist trade association was started. The association supports and endorses guidelines for the trade: employees are sensitised to the issue of CSEC, information is spread to customers through catalogues and hotels that

ignore the abuse of children lose their trading agreements. Save the Children Norway and ECPAT have maintained a high profile in the media throughout the year especially when Norwegian tourists have been involved in child sexual abuse in developing countries. ECPAT Norway has also done some advocacy on police resources in the fight against child sex tourism.

- **The Young Peoples Participation Project:** ECPAT Norway has been preparing for the Manila Conference in 2000 and has recruited staff who will give talks on the subject countrywide.

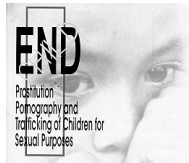
- **Participation in International conferences** Bangkok meeting in September: Berit Knudsen
Manila-meeting in October : Kristin Sandvik
Zimbabwe seminar on child pornography: Lars Gronseth

Planned activities in 2000:

- ECPAT Norway will take part in a number of international initiatives such as the Inhope Forum (a co-operative network of hotlines to fight child pornography on the Internet), the Daphne project (an EU programme on measures relating to violence against children, young people and women) and the Save the Children Alliance.

- ECPAT Norway is also looking into ways of supporting ECPAT's work in Eastern Europe.

Philippines



ECPAT Philippines

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Background:

ECPAT Philippines is a coalition of organisations which started in 1991. It has a board of trustees and has members including organisations and individuals.

Executive Director: Roserillan Robidillo Ortega
Contact person: Elizabeth N. Pucate

Activities in 1999:

- In April, 1999 ECPAT Philippines (in cooperation with ECPAT International's Young People's Participation Project) organised its second summer camp which conducted the Training Needs Analysis (TNA) of young people. The camp was part of the process of developing training modules to optimise opportunities for young people's participation in the fight against CSEC.

- In October 1999, ECPAT Philippines and UNICEF-Manila held a National Conference of Young People Against the Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children. Seventy young people aged 13-22 years actively participated in this event. The young people formulated their conference statement and their action plan against the commercial sexual exploitation of children.

- ECPAT Philippines and its young people's group launched a signature campaign to support the ratification of the ILO convention

182 on the worst forms of child labour. They hope that the collected signatures will be submitted to President Joseph Estrada and members of the Senate before March 2000.

- ECPAT Philippines has published a 36-page comic publication entitled *Kamusmusan Komiks*. It contains six stories on life-experiences of child survivors of sexual abuse and how children can survive the affects of abuse. The comic is aimed at the 12-23 years age group.

- A joint publication *Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children in the Philippines: A Situation Analysis*, by UNICEF, the Department of Social Welfare and Development, and ECPAT Philippines was produced.

- ECPAT Philippines also produced a brochure warning travellers that sex with children is a crime in the Philippines.

- ECPAT-Cebu's activities: ECPAT-Cebu conducted advocacy campaigns in seven private schools in Cebu City, Minglanilla and other areas of the Philippines. A radio programme for, and by children is being aired twice a month over DYSS, an AM Radio Station. ECPAT Cebu also held an art workshop during the Girl-Child Week.

Spain



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Background:

ECPAT Spain was founded in 1993 when four organisations formed a coalition. It mobilised a national campaign against child prostitution associated with tourism, child pornography and networks of exploitation. Primary objectives are to: advocate for changes in legislation at national and international level; awareness raising among various actors in the tourism indus-

try and the public via the media;

Planned activities in 2000:

- ECPAT Spain will start a campaign called Campana por un ano 2000 sin abusos (campaign for year 2000 without abuse). The main focus of which will be on legislative reform in Spain to end child prostitution, pornography and trafficking in children for sexual purposes.

Sri Lanka



Protecting Environment and Children Everywhere (PEACE)

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Background:

The Protecting Environment and Children Everywhere (PEACE) campaign was launched in 1989 against the commercial sexual exploitation and abuse of children by both local and foreign paedophiles. Its objectives are to create awareness of the problem of sexual exploitation of children and child labour in Sri Lanka; to influence National Policy related to the protection of children; and to prevent children from being lured or forced into prostitution and hazardous employment.

Chief Executive: Maureen Seneviratne

Contact person: Shirley J.S. Peiris

Activities in 1999:

- Awareness raising workshops
- Counselling programmes for mothers living in high-risk areas of child prostitution
- Legal monitoring of cases against paedophiles, both foreign and local
- Literacy programmes for school leavers and school drop-outs

- Tutoring classes for candidates applied for government scholarship
- Non-formal education and vocational training for school drop-outs
- Pipena Kusum (Blossoming Flowers) network of youth clubs leadership training and Shramadana projects
- Publication on HIV/AIDS and prevention of child abuse
- Publication of a quarterly newsletter.

Planned activities in 2000:

Continuation of all of the above activities plus:

- A training Course for counsellors of victims of child abuse
- A workshop of magistrates and judicial officers

Donors in 1999: PLAN International, UNICEF, SIDA, EMW, and Japan NCC

Number of staff:

2 full-time, 8 part-time, 8 local part-time coordinators of projects and 20 volunteers.

Sweden

ECPAT Sweden

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Background:

ECPAT Sweden was established on 6 September 1996. It is operated as a time-limited project. Its main objective is to combat the child sex trade by gathering together representatives from a broad base in society. ECPAT Sweden strives to work for maximum realisation in Sweden of the Agenda for Action adopted by the World Congress. It works for Swedish and international conformation to the rights stipulated in Article 34 of the Convention on the Rights of the Child.

Chairperson: Lennart Lindgren

Contact person: Helena Karlen

Activities in 1999:

- Training activities targeting police, prosecutors, judges, lawyers, teachers, as well as students of law, tourism and journalism.

- Awareness raising activities such as seminars, lectures, conferences, production of articles, press releases, posters, newsletters, and a website.

- InternetAction, a project aimed to raise awareness of the risks involved when minors use the net. An information package containing mouse-pad, poster, screen-saver and brochure, was developed providing the user with Net Smart Rules. An evaluation report of the project was then handed over to the Ministry of Education for a nationwide implementation.

- Developing a circular letter on extra-territorial legislation in co-operation with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The circular letter contained information and instructions regarding measures to tackle child sex tourism at the diplomatic level.

- Various youth activities have been carried out, such as a chat-conference on child pornography and paedophile activities on the Internet and the production of a thematic publication on the topic of commercial sexual ex-

ploitation of children.

- Development and implementation of the Certified Code of Conduct for tour operators against child sex tourism (CCC) and permanent co-operation was established with all major Swedish Tour Operators. As from November 1999 the project received financial support of the European Commission.

Planned activities in 2000:

- Documentation of Swedish and international extra-territorial legal cases and Swedish cases concerning child pornography

- Carrying out a study of Minors Exploited in Prostitution in Sweden including field work.

- The establishment of a Letter of Intent following the Swiss model with the Prosecutor General's Office, the National Police Board and ECPAT Sweden.

- To introduce provisions against the employment of persons with a criminal record of sexual assault on minors.

- To organize a conference highlighting united efforts against child sex tourism for the Swedish travel and tourist industry. The final report from the EU financed CCC-project will be presented at this conference.

- To introduce an Extraterritorial Legislation course, accompanied by literature on commercial sexual exploitation of children at the Faculty of Law of Stockholm University.

- To implement the educational effort, *Media and Children's Rights*, in the prospectus of journalist training programmes.

- Preparations for, and participation at, the IYPPP in Manila, May 2000. The follow up and account activities will include lectures, articles and posting information on the local website.

- A media campaign on the CCC-project including television and radio spots, advertisements and announcements, Internet banners and an international website.

Switzerland



ECPAT Switzerland - Association Against the Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children

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Background:

The Association against the Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (Arge Kipro) is the national coordinating office for the prevention of commercial sexual exploitation of children in Switzerland and abroad. Members of Arge Kipro include national and international organisations working on children's and women's issue in Switzerland. Arge Kipro began its work in 1991 with the Swiss campaign against child prostitution. It opened a national secretariat in Berne in 1996. Its main objectives are information, documentation and national and international networking.

President: A. Brunner, Public Prosecutor of the Canton of Zurich

Contact person: Regula Turtschi

Activities in 1999:

- **Child Prostitution in Switzerland:** ECPAT Switzerland published the report on Child Prostitution in Switzerland in March. The report shows that commercial sexual exploitation of children exists in Switzerland as well as in other parts of the world.

- **Swiss paedophile convicted:** from the beginning ECPAT Switzerland was involved in an investigation of a paedophile case. Finally, the

Criminal Court of Basle, sentenced a 36 year old Swiss to six years imprisonment in June . The paedophile was accused of sexually abusing at least 13 children in the Philippines between 1989-1996

- **CD-Rom:** In September, a very comprehensive CD-Rom was produced which documented a two-year project on the issue of Extraterritorial Legislation in Switzerland as a tool to Combat the Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children. The CD-Rom aims to be of use as a practical tool to facilitate the work of authorities and NGOs who are involved in extraterritorial cases.

- **New website:** In collaboration with the Swiss Union for the Protection of Children, ECPAT Switzerland posted a new website at www.pro-kids.ch

Planned activities in 2000:

- **National Plan of Action 1999-2001:** ECPAT Switzerland has started a national project which aims to implement the action plan of the Stockholm Congress at a national level. It plans to draft a National Plan of Action in collaboration with the federal authorities within the year 2000. The adoption of the plan is scheduled for the fifth anniversary of the Stockholm Congress in 2001.

Taiwan



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Background:

ECPAT Taiwan was first established in May 1991 by a voluntary group concerned about the welfare of women and children. Since then, it has been engaged in the prevention of child prostitution as well as the treatment of sexually exploited children and the promotion of child welfare in general. Its activities include policy reform, law making, social education and cultural change towards the better protection of children. ECPAT Taiwan is comprised of an Executive Committee, a Supervisory Committee, 28 Consultants and 49 Members.

Executive Director: Bernard Y. Kao

Contact person: Li-Feng Lee

Activities in 1999:

- 1999 Art Therapy Project: ECPAT Taiwan had programmed a one-day counsellors' training camp and a two-day art therapy camp for sexually exploited girls.
- Preparation for the International Young People Participation Project (IYPPP)
- Perfect Traveller 1999 : a project to tackle child sex tourism
- Forums on Taiwan's Plan for Action against the Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children
- Web547 established: Web547 is a web site allowing Internet viewers to report pornographic Web sites to ECPAT Taiwan. Since July 20th, 1999, more than 88,000 Internet viewers have visited Web547, more than 4,200 reports have been made, 479 friends have signed up as our Angle 547, and nearly 300 sites have invited Web547 to join their links
- The publication of a report: sponsored by the National Information Infrastructure (NII) called "The Initiatives of the Project on Controlling Child Pornography on the Internet" was published at the end of May 1999.
- Hotline: in 1999, 565 women called for

assistance via the Hot Line.

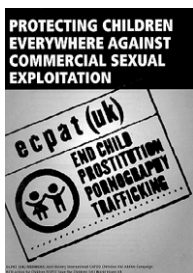
- Outreach Project: regularly visits to female foreigners housed in the Alien Detention Center and providing any possible assistance. In 1999, more than 500 women were visited.
- Outreach Project: Regularly visiting Thai restaurants which are the meeting points for most Thai people and providing relevant information to Thai women and others.
- ECPAT Taiwan Bimonthly Magazine
- ECPAT Newsletter
- International Network Building
- Preparation of the 4th East Asian Women's Forum

Planned activities in 2000:

- Generation Z's File X-A New Claim for Self-Protection
- Perfect Traveller 2000
- Comparison of Extraterritorial Legislation between Countries
- The 5th Action and Report on the Implementation of "the Law to Suppress Sexual Transactions Involving Children and Juveniles"
- Consulting Project on Teenaged Girls' Employment and Education in 921 Earthquake Disaster Areas
- Promotion of Web547
- English Version of ECPAT Taiwan Website
- Internet Pornography Monitoring Room and Volunteered Mother Training Courses
- E-Auction for Charity
- Hotline
- Consulting Project in Alien Detention Center
- Outreach Project on Undocumented Women
- Outreach Project on Foreign Female Labour

Number of staff: 7 members of staff

United Kingdom



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Background:

ECPAT UK is a coalition of six UK charities: Anti-Slavery, CAFOD, World Vision (UK), Jubilee Campaign, Christian Aid and NSPCC. Its objectives are to raise awareness amongst the British public on the international aspects of the commercial sexual exploitation of children, and to encourage UK citizens and organisations to take action regarding the problem.

Campaign Co-ordinator: Helen Veitch

Campaign Administrator: Carron Somerset

Activities in 1999:

- *Child Participation:* the final report of the project was completed. The video education pack was produced in May.

- *Tourism Campaign:* ECPAT UK produced a 12-page booklet for tourism students in the UK, giving the basic positions, statements, and action that the UK tourism industry has taken on the issue of child sex tourism. It also networks with the tourism industry and started a public campaign for travellers to use the ☐ Crime Stopper ☐ telephone number to inform police if they see anything suspicious regarding children.

Planned activities in 2000:

- *Amending the UK Register of Sex Offenders:* ECPAT UK will be campaigning for the Register of Sex Offenders to be amended to require offenders to register their addresses if they plan to travel or live overseas, and to require offenders with overseas convictions to register. ECPAT UK will ask its supporters to write to their Member of Parliament, as well as run a postcard campaign.

- *Developing a national plan:* ECPAT UK is involved in the discussion process of drafting a National Plan of Action. It will be writing a paper on the international aspects of the Agenda for Action and helping to coordinate the NGO response to the plan.

Donors in 1999: Coalition members and Lonely Planet

Number of staff:

2 part-time members of staff

United States of America



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Background:

ECPAT USA was established in 1991. It was initially called the U.S. Committee to Support the Campaign to End Child Prostitution in Asian Tourism, and was coordinated by the National Council of Churches, USA Asia Offices and the North American Coordinating Center for Responsible Tourism. It has been working with the US Congress and other children's advocacy groups as the US representative of the ECPAT campaign.

Coordinator: Carol Smolenski

Contact person: Carol Smolenski

Activities in 1999:

- In early 1999 ECPAT-USA circulated a sign-on letter to NGOs to support the amendment to federal legislation that would require

the Federal Aviation Administration to promulgate regulations requiring airports and airlines to publicise the American law against child sex tourism. The letter was sent to 100 US Senators.

- ECPAT USA has been working for more than a year to get the cooperation of American airports and airlines to publicise these laws voluntarily. A number of female travel agents have been distributing the brochures.

- ECPAT USA began a study of child prostitution in the United States. It completed a literature review and held interviews with informers in the New York City area. However a lack of funding has hampered its progress.

- Produced and distributed an ECPAT USA Newsletter twice yearly.

Argentina



Pibes Unidos

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Website: www.pibesunidos.com.ar

Executive Director: Maria del Carmen Bianchi

Contact person: Adriana Calcedo

Activities 1999:

- Pibes Unidos organised three Seminars on the Sexual Exploitation of Children in Argentina. These seminars attracted over 450 people.

- A programme called Voluntarios Cuidadores de Derechos de los Chicos was launched. The programme is a voluntary service to monitor the rights of the child. It consists of a service centre, resource materials, seminars and the carrying out of investigations.

- It also launched a programme on the Internet called Red Solidaria de los Chicos which (translated from the Spanish) means solidarity network for teenagers . The objective is to provide teenagers with an opportu-

nity to help each other in solving their problems.

Planned Activities 2000:

- Four seminars on the sexual exploitation of children in Argentina are to be organized

- Start the secondary and tertiary era on Sexual Exploitation of Children initiated in 1997

Donors 99:

Italian Government, private donors, income from the sale of publications, income from the sale of services (courses, etc .)

Size of budget: \$40.000

Number of staffs:

15 voluntary members of staff.

Austria

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Activities:

In 1998, ECPAT Austria worked on an information package called New Laws for Travelers I64 CPC . It was enclosed with air tickets

for tourists travelling to destinations known for sex tourism and sexual child abuse. It contains information and addresses that travellers can contact if they witness anything suspicious regarding children while abroad.

Bangladesh



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Background:

ASK was founded in 1986. Its activities are awareness raising, providing legal services and campaigning for the implementation of minimum human rights standards in Bangladesh.

Chairperson: Justice K.M. Sobhan

Contact person: Salma Shoban

Activities:

ASK's work in the area of CSEC, child pornography and trafficking in children for sexual purposes include:

- A research project on children in conflict with laws
- A research project on Trafficking in Children and Women
- A research project on Prevention of the

Commercial and Non-Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children

- ASK was also involved in the SAARC people's forum to introduce a convention against trafficking in women and children
- ASK also provided legal aid for women and children in need and began a health, education and legal protection scheme (HELP) for working children.

Planned activities in 2000:

- Awareness raising on human rights and legal issues through popular theatre productions
- A crisis centre and shelter home for victims of human rights violations

Burundi



DEI Burundi

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Background:

DEI (Defense des Enfants International) ECPAT-Burundi has been officially affiliated to the ECPAT International network since February 1999.

Contact person: Jaques Bitababje

Activities in 1999:

- DEI Burundi has raised public awareness on the sexual exploitation of children through the media. Throughout 1999, it provided information for various press reports published in local and national newspapers and the national press agency.
- DEI participated in the first ECPAT International Assembly, in Bangkok, in September.

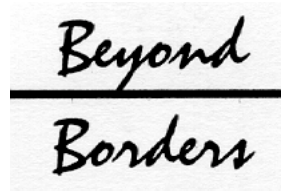
Problems:

- DEI Burundi has been active in tackling children's problems. However, it has been facing difficulty in finding financial support for its activities.

Planned activities in 2000:

- Continuing the broadcastings which have been very successful.
- Providing income generation programmes for young girls, especially in refugee camps.
- It plans to start working on providing sex education, especially to young girls.
- Providing information on AIDS

Canada



Beyond Borders: Ensuring Global Justice for Children

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Background:

Beyond Borders is a registered non-governmental organisation. It was founded by two Canadian delegates who participated in the Stockholm Congress in 1996. The objective of Beyond Borders is to assist in the creation of an international system of justice that is concerned with children's issues and offers youth the protection needed regardless of nationality.

Founders: Rosalind Prober and Mark Erik Hecht

Contact person: Rosalind Prober

Activities in 1999:

- **Child sex tourism:** It worked to lobby politicians, government officials, and the Department of Justice to enforce the laws against sex tourism. In 1997, Beyond Borders, along with other children's rights organisations, successfully lobbied the government to pass Bill C-27, thus creating a legal remedy in Canada for all children sexually abused by Canadians abroad.

- **Intervenor Status:** In March 1999, Beyond Borders, in cooperation with ECPAT International and ECPAT Canada, filed an affidavit in the British Columbia Court of Appeal to request intervenor status in the case of the Queen VS. Sharpe. They aimed to persuade the B.C. Court of Appeal to overturn the ruling of a British Columbia Supreme Court on Janu-

ary 15 that Canadians have a constitutional right to possess child pornography if it is for private use and not for production or distribution.

- **Age of Consent:** By the age of 14, children in Canada can consent to sexual relations with adults who are not in a position of trust or authority over them. Beyond Borders actively supported other non-governmental organisations and police attempting to raise the age of consent to meet the international obligations set out in the Convention on the Rights of the Child.

- **Sexually Exploited Youth:** Beyond Borders began to campaign for the issue of sexually exploited youth to be given greater public and government attention.

Planned activities in 2000:

- Involvement with Equality Now, New York in the Supreme Court case on the importation of pornography including child pornography into Canada in March, 2000

- Participating in the Child Soldier Conference in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada in September 2000

- Establishment of a national group of child protection advocates

- Continuing to track Canadian sex tourists and advocate for their prosecution

- Working to raise Canada's age of consent and to get filtering on the Internet laws in to the Canadian Criminal Code

- Intervene in the Queen VS. Sharpe case at the Supreme Court of Canada in January 2000.

China (Hong Kong)



Against Child Abuse

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Background:

Against Child Abuse (ACA) was founded in 1980. Its mission is to promote a caring and non-violent environment for the optimal growth of children in Hong Kong and mainland China.

Chairperson: Dr. Patricia Ip

Contact person: Priscilla Lui

Activities in 1998-9:

- *Hotline:* ACA's hotline service is an effective means for reporting suspected child abuse cases and for providing counselling services. The public, including abusers and abused children have been encouraged to seek professional advice and assistance.

- *Investigation and Case Work Service:* ACA investigated a number of child abuse cases, where sexual abuse was involved ACA provided counselling and support and appropriate cases were referred to relevant parties.

- *Group Work Service:* ACA organised group work services for children, adolescents and parents in response to their needs. The basic theme of the group work service focused on enhancing parent-child relationships, communication skills and self understanding.

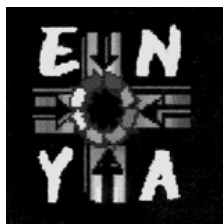
- *Preventive Programme:* this programme includes the training of trainers for professionals who are working with children and parents, the Healthy Start Home Visiting Programme to develop primary prevention to protect children, and Let the Dolphin Lead: an educational project aimed at empowering children and youth.

- *Advocacy:* ACA is actively involved in public education through talks, training courses, exhibitions, as well as media interviews.

Number of staff:

20 members of staff

Czech Republic



Ecumenical Network for Youth Action (ENYA)

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Background:

The Ecumenical Network for Youth Action (ENYA) was officially established in 1995, and is a growing partnership of Churches and related associations. Its members include women's organisations, diaconal projects, youth organisations, christian education groups, children's rights and protection networks, social movements, justice/peace/reconciliation and environmental groups, non-profit making civic associations, NGOs, lay centres, and individuals from around the world.

ENYA aims to increase the opportunities for training and ecumenical encounters with those, primarily, but not only, from Central / Eastern / Southern Europe and inter-regionally. There has been a substantial increase in the membership and partner base which now comprises people from over 48 countries.

Contact person: Cath Moss

Activities in 1999:

- Enya has introduced a new series of Churches Ecumenical Training For Transformation and Capacity Building programmes, further enabling the Churches and related organisations to develop a deeper culture of diacona, including the establishment of several effective and long-term partnership based projects.

- Further work was also developed on the Spotlight Programmes which have been developed to highlight the concerns of those children, youth and women who are most marginalised within our societies and Churches.

- ENYA members and partners have also extended their efforts in challenging all forms of racism, xenophobia, nationalism, anti-semitism and discrimination in any form and developing solidarity actions.

Denmark



Red Barnet
Save the Children Denmark

Red Barnet

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Background:

Red Barnet is a private Danish organisation. It works for vulnerable groups of children in Denmark and abroad and seeks to implement the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child. Red Barnet's programme consists of development, educational, information activities and advocacy work in various countries, including Denmark.

Contact person: Vita Soegaard Pedersen

Activities in 1999:

- Save the Children Denmark launched a campaign to fight child sex tourism in partnership with the travel industry. The campaign is in response to the fact that more and more Danes are travelling to destinations where children can be bought and sexually exploited than ever before. Danish tourists who travel overseas have received a small leaflet explaining the consequence of having sex with children, and encouraging tourists to take action if they see anything suspicious whilst abroad.

Dominican Republic



M.A.I.S de Puerto Plata República Dominicana (El movimiento para el Autodesarrollo Internacional de la Solidaridad)

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Background:

MAIS is a non profit organisation, founded in March, 1998 in the Dominican Republic. The primary objectives of MAIS are to help children stay in school, give dignity to the lives of the children, prevent child prostitution and child abuse through various campaigns and actions.

Contact person: Luis Mendez

Activities in 1999:

- Assisted young people in difficult circumstances to go to, or remain in, school.
- Worked with their families and communities on the affects that sexual abuse has on child victims.
- Worked with young people in the community by raising awareness on children's rights issues, as well as the causes and consequence of child abuse. MAIS also worked on

rehabilitating sexually abused children.

Planned activities 2000

- Establishing a training centre
- Empowering young people in the community to cooperate with educational institutions to work on raising awareness of children's rights and child abuse issues.
- Starting a prevention programme.
- Setting up a sex tourism programme and creating a national network.
- Following up the National Plan of Action.

Donors 1999:

MAIS de ROMA, SETEM, ECPAT International, OEA-IIN

Number of Staff:

9 members of staff

Guatemala

ECPAT Guatemala

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Executive Director: Graciela Dominguez

Contact person: Maria Eugenia Villarreal

Activities in 1999:

• Worked to establish ECPAT Guatemala. The organisation's activities included the construction of an organisational structure, and the setting up of an office, as well as publicising the work of ECPAT.

• Participated in an ad-hoc commission against the sexual exploitation of children for sexual purposes that set up a strategy to draft a National Plan of Action.

• Participated in workshops on the National Plans of El Salvador and the Dominican Republic

• Participated in a seminar on sexual exploitation of children organized by the Inter-American Institute for Children in Montevideo,

Uruguay.

• Participated in the First ECPAT International Assembly in Bangkok, Thailand

Planned activities in 2000:

• Drafting and implementing the National Plan of Action to fight against the sexual exploitation of children

• In cooperation with ECPAT International and Casa Alianza, ECPAT Guatemala will write a proposed Regional Project on the traffic in children for sexual purposes

• ECPAT Guatemala will continue to investigate the social phenomenon of the sexual exploitation in children in different regions throughout the nation.

Number of staff:

10 members of staff

India



Bangalore: Child Relief and You

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Background:

Child Relief and You (CRY), is an organisation that aims to raise awareness on children's rights issues. It raises public awareness and support and provides information, training and financial support to over 300 NGOs in India.

Executive Director: Pervin Varma

Contact person: Pervin Varma

Activities in 1999:

- CRY organised many direct awareness generation programmes and supported NGOs working in the field. This was achieved through

projects, fellowships, resource centres and networking.

Planned activities in 2000:

- CRY will focus more on supporting child development initiatives. It has identified the Juvenile Justice System, Adoption and Child Sexual Abuse as the three main focus areas for the future. Its priorities will be in the area of education, health, child labour and street children.

Number of staff:

Over 200 staff in five offices in Mumbai, Calcutta, Madras, Delhi, and Bangalore.

New Delhi : Indian Committee of Youth Organisation

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Background:

The Indian Committee of Youth Organisation is committed to the development of areas of mutual cooperation and understanding among the different youth voluntary agencies, youth organisations and clubs and individuals in India. It has more than 300 members through out the country. The main objectives of ICYO are

- To strengthen the existing youth agencies and foster development of new agencies in the area of youth mobilisation.

- To assist and guide member organisations to conduct all kinds of activities in the field of youth development, mobilisation and education

- To set up training centres, to assist members in research and evaluation and to help members in raising funds

- To arrange seminars, conferences and workshops, to discuss and study the problems faced by members and the issues concerning youth development, health and the environment.

Secretary General: Ravi Narayan

Contact person: Ravi Narayan

Planned activities in 2000:

- ICYO plans to work on the prevention of sexual abuse among young people in close cooperation with United Nations and government departments such as the Department of Women and Child

- It also plans to prepare a Plan of Action for youth vigilance at the local level



**Calcutta :
Sanlaap**

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Background:

Sanlaap started in 1987 as a small women's group. Its main aim was to prevent violence against women but since 1990 it began to develop an interest in women in prostitution as well as the trafficking of women and children for sexual purposes.

Secretary: Indrani Sinha

Contact person: Indrani Sinha

Activities:

• Drop-in centre: By 1993 Sanlaap had built up an education programme at the drop-in centre in the red light areas of Calcutta. By 1996, Sanlaap started fourteen drop-in centres in different red light areas of the city and in two other districts of West Bengal. It also started the first shelter home 'Sneha' to house vulnerable children living in brothel areas. From 1996-1998 it started two other shelters for children of prostitutes and rescued children from red light areas. Sanlaap also lobbied the State Government to start a similar programme for pre-school children. The government planned to open 150 centres by the end of 1999.

• The Sanlaap Legal Aid Programme conducted legal research on issues related to violence against women, provided legal aid to individuals, and documented cases of trafficking and forced child prostitution. Sanlaap also rescued and rehabilitated child sex abuse victims.

• A Campaign, Awareness, Networking and Training Unit was also initiated. The programme aims to prevent trafficking of children and young women. It includes awareness programme in rural areas, training of grass-root level workers, networking with organisations, and organising seminars and workshops.

• Sanlaap's Documentation Unit has a wide collection of books, materials, documents and reports on trafficking of children and young women, prostitution, violence against women, and child rights issues.

• Sanlaap published a booklet called 'Organise Against Trafficking: A Sanlaap Appeal for building Resistance against Traffick-in-Person'.

Number of staff:

More than 180 full-time and part-time members of staff.

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Background:

Prerana works primarily in the area of the commercial exploitation of women and children in prostitution. It has field projects in Kamathipura and Falkland Road, the largest red light districts of India. It also has projects that focus on women and children who have been trafficked into prostitution. Prerana's work includes assisting the children of sex workers to escape from prostitution. It also runs projects on rescuing, recovery, rehabilitation and reintegration of children who have been abused, as well as promoting the human rights of women working in the red lights areas.

Contact person: Parvin Patkar

Activities in 1999:

- Anti Trafficking Centre: this project consists of the sensitisation and training of enforcement personnel, welfare officers, media, legal professionals and others on the issue of trafficking and CSEC. It also does research and documentation on the issue and disseminates the information.

- The Coordination Committee for Vulnerable Children (CCVC), of which Prerana is a founder member, organised its first sensitisation programme for the Railway Police. It was attended by 54 policemen.

- Prerana has been requested to coordinate a "Network Against Commercial Sexual Exploitation and Trafficking" (NACSET), which

comprises a network of NGOs working on related issues.

- NACSET members will organise sensitisation and training programme in their own area, while Prerana will carry out a training programme for trainers. Prerana has also taken on responsibility of preparing the content of a handbook and training manual.

- Prerana has been in the Mumbai High Court against the Government of Maharashtra in a PIL over the situation of rescue homes.

- Prerana has helped set up the ASSKAM Indo-Swiss Welfare Society, consisting of Swiss NGOs and individuals. The society is setting up a special complex for children who become victims of commercial sexual exploitation.

- Prerana has raised public awareness on the CSEC issue through various television programmes, newspapers and magazine articles.

Planned activities in 2000:

- Prerana plans to set up its own premises in the Vashinagar red light area in Mumbai

- In April 2000, Prerana will be presenting its work to the Vienna UN Congress on organised violence against women; the work will be presented as a "best practice" model of working with the victims of trafficking and CSEC.

Number of staff:

36 members of staff

Japan

ECPAT/STOP Japan

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Background:

Stop Child Prostitution Action (STOP) was founded in 1992 in response to the ECPAT movement. Its focus has been on amending current laws, passing new legislation, and ensuring effective law enforcement on child sexual exploitation and child pornography in Japan.

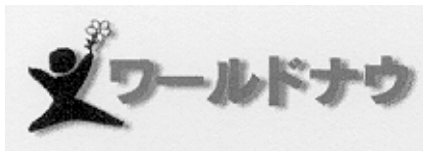
Contact person: Toshie Takahashi

Activities in 1999:

- In January, ECPAT/Stop Japan participated in the UNESCO Conference on Child Sexual Abuse, Child Pornography, and Paedophilia on the Internet in Paris, France
- In March, a petition, with over 14,000

signatures of foreign residents in Japan was submitted to the Diet members. ECPAT/Stop Japan held a joint press conference with other organisations on this campaign

- During April and May, ECPAT/Stop Japan lobbied both the Lower-Diet and Upper-Diet to pass the Bill on commercial sexual exploitation of children.
- ECPAT/Stop Japan was awarded the Kato Shizue Award in July for its work on addressing child sexual exploitation and for its contribution to the passing of the anti-child prostitution law in Japan in May, 1999.
- ECPAT/Stop Japan participated in the first ECPAT International Assembly in Bangkok in September.



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Background:

ECPAT Japan Kansai was established in 1992. The organisation works to eliminate the commercial sexual exploitation of children in cooperation with ECPAT networks, other related organisations and concerned individuals within and outside Japan. The organisation is composed of regular members, special members, and group members.

Coordinator: Toshiko Maya Sonozaki

Contact person: Toshiko Maya Sonozaki

Activities in 1999:

- ECPAT Japan Kansai lobbied for new legislation and law enforcement, advocating the rights of children against commercial sexual exploitation, networking with other groups and

monitoring cases of child sexual abuse where Japanese nationals were involved. It also organised training and seminars for protection and prevention.

- In June, ECPAT Japan Kansai held a series of workshops following the passing of the new law on child prostitution and child pornography. The objectives of the workshops were to raise public awareness about the new law and its effects and to analyse its content and achievements. The workshops included experts, legal personnel, and activists on children's rights issues.
- In July, another workshop on Participatory Methodology to Prevent Child Abuse was held. It focused on the importance of developing programmes to prevent and protect children from being sexually abused.

Street Children Ministry Franciscan Chapel Center

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Background:

The ministry was founded in 1998 by a group of parishioners from the Franciscan Chapel Center, the St. Alban's Church and concerned individuals. It aims to educate the public about the illegal trade of children for sexual purposes, to support efforts to end the trade in children and to raise funds for organisations working with children.

Contact person: Karen Lewis

Activities in 1999:

- Sponsored fund raising activities and lectures.
- The organisation participated in a press conference in March, with other NGOs and

IGOs working on children's issues. The press conference urged immediate action by the Government to pass a Bill pending in the Diet. The Bill will punish offenders involved in child prostitution and child pornography.

- In May, the Franciscan Chapel Center Women's Group and ECPAT/Street Children Ministry sponsored the children's poster contest entitled "When a Street Child Dreams...". The objective was to increase awareness about the plight of street children around the world.

- Also in May, the Dama Drive fund raising activity was started under the sponsorship of ECPAT/Street Children. The project raised funds and made donations to projects working with children.

Latvia

Bulduri Family Care Centre

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Background:

The Bulduri Family Care Centre was established in 1994. It aims to document commercial sexual exploitation of children in Latvia and to raise public awareness on the issue. The organisation, in cooperation with Save the Children, lobbied the government for changes in legislation on legal procedures for child abuse cases. In 1996 it started a rehabilitation centre for sexually abused children.

Chairman: Valdis Rande

Contact person: Lelde Kimse (Psychotherapist) and Kristiana Jaunite (psychologist).

Activities in 1999:

- Publication of a booklet called "Stop the Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children".
- Members of a working group took part in

the State Children's Right Defense Centre's seminar on National Plan formatting.

- A total of 14 articles on the commercial sexual exploitation of children and the rehabilitation programme in Latvia were published in national newspapers.

- The Bulduri Family Care Centre's Rehabilitation Department received 28 sexually abused children from the ages of 5 to 17 years in 1999.

Planned activities in 2000:

- The Bulduri Family Care Centre plans to improve the rehabilitation programme for children.

Donors in 1999:

Danish Embassy

Mauritius

Halley Movement

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Background:

The Halley Movement was established in 1991 and became an affiliate of ECPAT in 1998.

Chairman: Busgopal Mahendranath

Contact person: Busgopal Mahendranath

Activities:

- Sensitisation campaign on the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child
- Training the Trainers regional workshops
- Workshop for community leaders
- Counselling service for abused children
- Hotline service
- Intergeneration programme to improve child welfare
- Basic education for school dropouts

Nepal

Maiti

Maiti Nepal

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Background:

Maiti Nepal was established in 1993. Its work focuses on awareness raising, establishing prevention and transit camps, as well as providing facilities for the victims of trafficking for sexual purposes.

Executive Director: Anuradha Koirala

Contact person: Sabin Gurung

Activities in 1999:

- Rehabilitation and Crisis Centre in Kathmandu: in 1999 there were 175 children sheltered in the centre. Activities included vocational training, a counselling service and identifying and apprehending criminals with the help of the police.

- Prevention camp in Makwanpur: Thirty girls who were potentially at risk of being trafficked were sheltered in the camp for six months. They were equipped with life and vocational skills.

- Bhairawa Transit Home: 59 girls were helped by the transit centre. 12 traffickers associated with these cases were arrested. The centre was able to prevent 43 girls from being trafficked to India by intercepting them at the

border.

- Legal activities: Maiti Nepal filed nine cases in court during July to December 1999. Thirty five more cases are being processed and thirty nine cases are waiting for a final decision by the court. Five of a total of 23 cases filed in the valley have been decided on.

- Maiti Nepal organised a seminar on Women Trafficking, Political Commitment and the Role of MPs on 2 September 1999.

Planned activities in 2000:

- Maiti Nepal plans to organise workshops to prevent trafficking in children in the village. The objective is to seek to resolve the problem at the grassroots level. Apart from continuing with the ongoing programme, Maiti Nepal aims to set up prevention camps and transit camps for trafficked children where required.

Donors in 1999: Save the Children Norway, Save the Children UK, ILO, and Terre Des Hommes.

Number of staff:

55 members of staff

Pakistan

Child Rights and Abuse Committee: Pakistan Paediatric Association

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Background:

The Pakistan Paediatric Association is the representative body of paediatricians in Pakistan with almost 1,200 members throughout the country. The Child Rights and Abuse Committee are core groups of the Association. It has a mandate to promote and protect children's rights in the country. The Committee has membership from all four provinces of Pakistan.

Chairman: Tufail Mohammed

Activities in 1999:

- A situational analysis of Child Sexual Exploitation in Pakistan
- A seminar on child sexual abuse
- An education project for children in prisons was initiated as was a Health and Education project for children in automobile workshops.

Donors in 1999:

Save the Children Sweden and ILO

Number of staff:

18 members of staff

Romania



Romanian Save the Children - Counselling Centres for Child and Family / Organizatia Salvi Copiii

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Background:

Salvati Copiii was established in 1990. It is an independent NGO working on the issue of the sexual exploitation of street children in Romania. Salvati Copiii initiated a social partnership by organising training courses for specialists in the field of child protection. It also set up three counselling centres for abused and neglected children in major Romanian cities. Salvati Copiii has a General Secretariat in Bucharest and 12 local branches in other cities.

Executive Director: Gabriela Alexandrescu

Contact person: Georgeta Păunescu - Programme Coordinator

Activities in 1999:

- Salvati Copiii established two counselling centres in Timisoara and Iasi.
- An agreement on partnerships was signed by the Department for Child Protection, the Police, Hospitals, Schools, and NGOs that are involved in the work of child protection and Treatment was organized in Bucharest. During this seminar a National Plan for prevention and intervention in cases of abuse was formulated.
- Another seminar was held in October which discussed the psychotherapeutical techniques to be used in the treatment of abused children.
- Also, in October, in Sinaia, a training course for young volunteers and young staff who work in all three counselling centres was held. Four ECPAT lecturers from the Philippines gave presentations.
- An information database was constructed.
- A booklet "Be Close to the Child" (translated from Swedish) was published; it is a hand-

book for parents of children aged 2-7 years.

- Salvati Copiii raised public awareness on the negative effects of child abuse, and on the services provided by the counselling centres through television, radio, and newspaper articles.
- 1,075 consultations have been recorded in all three counselling centres including 55 cases of sexual abuse, 362 cases of physical/emotional abuse and 22 cases of neglect. Child victims have been treated and rehabilitated and 220 parents have been counselled.

Planned activities in 2000:

- To publish the lessons learned from the work of three counselling centres in the past year.
- Continuing treatment and rehabilitation of cases in the centres.
- Expanding the counselling centre in Bucharest to provide 3 more rooms: a counselling room for parents, a group therapy room and a room for art therapy).
- Producing information materials (leaflets, posters, etc)
- Developing a national study on the situation of abused children and prostitution networks in Romania.
- Continuing the publicity on activities in the centres

Donors and budget in 1999:

Radda Barnen - Redd Barna - UNICEF - Grigore Alexandrescu Hospital

Number of staff:

21 specialists and 10 volunteers.

Russia



Institute of Teenager

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Background:

Established in 1992 and registered in 1997 the Institute of Teenager is a research institute. It works as a state organisation on different official projects at the city administration level in St. Petersburg. Its target group is children under 18 years of age, mainly street children.

General Director: Alexander Pavlovich Fine
Contact person: Alexander Pavlovich Fine

Activities:

• As the commercial sexual exploitation of children is a relatively new phenomenon for Russia, the Institute of Teenager does not have any specific projects relating to CSEC. It works

with children under 18 years of age who have problems in adjusting, these includes street children and their families. However, through different projects such as the Presidential Programme, the Children of Russia, the Project for Maladjusted Children, and the Project Streets of St. Petersburg the organisation has been made aware of the problem.

Planned activities in 2000:

• Institute of Teenager plans to expand its activities to tackling the commercial sexual exploitation. It also wants to collaborate with organisations working on related issues. However, it depends greatly on the financial support of the State.

Samoa

Samoa Umbrella for NGOs (Sungu)

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Background:

Sungu was established in 1997. It is a steering committee formed from a series of workshops conducted by ECPAT Australia, in cooperation with AusAid. Since its formation, Sungu has conducted workshops and presentations in different islands throughout Samoa.

Contact person: Avalogo Eti Ripley

Activities in 1999:

• In cooperation with ECPAT Australia and AusAid, it organised a series of workshops in March and April. Seven districts and some schools in the two main islands were involved.

• Another series of workshops was undertaken in June. Among the topics raised were What is Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children and What are the Cultural and Religious Views on the Issue

• Sungu has campaigned for new legislation to combat pornography and the trafficking in children for sexual purposes, which are not covered by existing laws.

Planned activities in 2000:

• Sungu plans to expand its education and awareness programmes into other islands.

Spain



Accion Contra la Pornografia Infantil (ACPI)

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Background:

Acción Contra la Pornografía Infantil (ACPI) was established in Madrid in September 1998 by a group of volunteers. It aims to fight all forms of sexual exploitation of children. ACPI became an Affiliate Member of ECPAT in March 1999.

Executive Director: Guillermo Canovas

Contact person: Guillermo Canovas

Activities in 1999:

- *Jugar Tranquilo Campaign:* the campaign was launched in schools in Spain; it educates parents on how to recognise an abuser and the symptoms of child abuse, and explains how and where paedophiles operate. ACPI also distributed a video to schools with patterns of paedophiles' behaviour with the intention of children taking an active role in prevention.

- *SOS Missing Children Project:* this project aims to provide psychological and emotional support to parents of missing children, collaborating with them to search for missing children, and developing a preventive programme for parents and teenagers.

- Surf Safely Campaign (for families,

schools and NGOs) on safe use of the Internet.

- Campaign against pornographic literature
- Campaign against Child Pornography and the Internet: ACPI has reported web pages for pedophiles and magazines that contain the advertisement of such pages.

Planned activities in 2000:

- The campaign Let children remain children (DEJAD A LOS NINOS SER NINOS) was presented in February 2000.

- The Play Safe campaign (Jugar Tranquilos) is to be distributed in colleges throughout Spain.

- Internet filtering software will be distributed to colleges. This campaign will be expanded into other countries. ACPI has sent the software to Costa Rica, and plan to make it widely available in all Spanish speaking countries.

Number of staff:

ACPI consists entirely of volunteers and so the number of staff varies and depends on each campaign.

United States of America



Sisters Offering Support (SOS)

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Background:

Sisters Offering Support started a resource centre to help women escape prostitution in 1996. It has expanded its mission into the area of prevention and intervention through education and awareness and works with the cooperation of criminal justice agencies. SOS consists of a Board of Directors, an Advisory Board, an Executive Director, a Programme Coordinator, an Administrative Assistant, a Client Service Advocate and 30 volunteers.

Executive Director: Kelly A. Hill

Contact person: Kelly A. Hill

Activities in 1999:

- The SOS Resource Center is a drop-in centre which provides peer based services including referrals, counselling, life skills, personal development, advocacy, and health education. In 1999, there were 537 visits. The centre assisted six individuals in exiting prostitution and obtaining legal employment, returning to school or their families. The service also provided support to 76 individuals and their families.

- Prostitution Intervention Project (PIP) focuses on exiting prostitution through education and awareness, as well as offering alternatives to prostitution.

- Parent Support Group provides support to parents with children who are victims of commercial sexual exploitation. Parents meet weekly to provide support to each other. They also adopted a proactive approach in combating the exploitation of children through prostitution and other forms of sex work.

- SOS 24-Hour Crisis Line: offers a 24-

hour peer counselling assistance to exploited women and children in need.

- Community Education: SOS Peer Educators increased public awareness of prostitution in the community by sharing their experience, knowledge and expertise with local groups and organisations.

- In-Service Training: was provided upon request to agencies concerned with the commercial sexual exploitation of women and children. The training resulted in increased referrals to SOS from criminal justice agencies.

- Youth Prevention Program: increases awareness among youth about commercial sexual exploitation, the dangers involved in prostitution, and common recruitment tactics used by exploiters.

Planned activities in 2000:

- The organisation plans to hire a full-time Executive Director and add three part-time paid positions. This will help SOS to provide a more effective continuum of services to include reaching out to exploited youth as a top priority. It will also focus on increasing its fund development efforts to establish a solid financial foundation.

Donors in 1999:

McInerney Foundation, Hawaii Hotel Association, VICW Fund, Hodgkins Memorial Fund, Theresa Hughes Fund, Theo Davies Foundation, N.E.W. Grants Program, The People's Fund, Weinberg Foundation AIM For Excellence Award.

Number of staff:

4 members of staff

Yugoslavia



BEO SUPPORT

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Background:

BEO Support was established in 1997. It began its work as a coalition to fight child sexual exploitation. It works on compiling information regarding the situation of child sex abuse, pornography, and legislation in the country.

Chairperson: Antoaneta Dimcevska

Contact person: Antoaneta Dimcevska

Activities in 1999:

- Prior to March 99, Beo Support took part in the Bosnian State commission for sexual war crimes and international evidence gathering mission as the only Yugoslavian representative.

- The group sent a report concerning the steps needed to address the commercial sexual exploitation of children to Focal Point for NGOs and its suggestions were printed in the Focal point publication.

- In September 1999, after the war ended. One out of six planned round tables to net-

work the regions of Former Yugoslavia and ECPAT was carried on in a Moslem populated area.

- In September, a publication named The Stockholm Agenda for Action and Yugoslavia was prepared and published in the Serbian language. The publication was funded by FES.

- In October, a representative of Beo Support took part in the education of Norwegian students on the human rights issues focusing on the Balkan Crisis held by the Rafto foundation.

Planned activities in 2000:

- BEO Support has applied for funds for a youth education programme to produce a television campaign and an educational cartoon book.

- It plans to continue working on empowering children and youth participation

- It will monitor abuse through the health service

- The group will also provide education for caregivers

Zambia



Children in Need (CHIN)

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Background:

CHIN acts as the national reference group on child abuse. Its mission is to strengthen the ability of families and communities to protect, and promote the welfare of children in need in Zambia through developing and sustaining a network of concerned NGOs, community based organisations and governmental departments.

Chairman: John N. Munsanje, CINDI-FHT

Contact person: Louis K. Mwewa

Activities in 1999:

- Bi-monthly meetings at national level

- Quarterly meetings of the executive committee, provincial meetings for members, and reference group on child abuse meetings

- Production of monthly News Update and a quarterly Newsletter

- Community awareness campaign

- Facilitating training for members

- Field visits/field attachment for members

- Resource Centre

- Advocacy and lobbying on the Convention on the Rights of the Child and on Child Abuse

- *Pending Members of ECPAT*

Cambodia

ECPAT Cambodia

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Background:

ECPAT Cambodia was established in 1995. It is a coalition of over 30 Cambodian NGOs, Government Organisations and various UN bodies concerning the impact of sexual exploitation of children. Its role is to raise awareness of the issues of child prostitution, sexual abuse and trafficking of children within Cambodia and across its borders and to conduct advocacy for the police and legal agencies. The executive board consists of an elected president, vice president, and four members.

General Secretary: Him Chea

Contact person: Him Chea

Activities in 1999:

- ECPAT Cambodia is responsible for the collecting information regarding the commercial sexual exploitation of children in Cambodia, as well as the dissemination of this information to its members, the international secretariat, journalists, researchers, and the public.

- ECPAT Cambodia designed a poster aimed at raising awareness at community level on the issue of the commercial sexual exploitation of children. It was printed by one of the member organisations.

- In June, ECPAT Cambodia organised a seminar on sex tourism with the cooperation of the Ministry of Tourism and the support of World Vision Cambodia. The main objective of

this seminar was to inform the hotel and entertainment industries about sex tourism, and encourage them to disseminate this information to guests and clients.

- The diversity of ECPAT Cambodia members ensures a variety of services are offered, including free legal aid, vocational training for street children or children living in city garbage dumps, prevention projects and awareness raising campaigns in the provinces, and the rescue and rehabilitation of prostituted children. Many members have taken a proactive role in the investigation of paedophile cases, and work in cooperation with the police.

Planned activities in 2000:

- ECPAT Cambodia hopes to continue its work with sex tourism by producing a leaflet to be distributed at Cambodian consulates, airports and immigration points, as well as local hotels and entertainment establishments. ECPAT Cambodia is currently seeking funds for this campaign.

Donors in 1999:

Redd Barna (Save the Children Norway), World Vision Cambodia

Number of staff:

1 full-time member of staff and 1 short term volunteer.