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**IC33 Pledge on Children in Situations of Armed Conflict**

**For the years 2019-2023, the Government of Canada pledges to sustain attention and action to prevent the recruitment and use of child soldiers by:**

- Working to prevent the recruitment and use of child soldiers in armed conflict and other situations;
- Working to disseminate IHL, including existing provisions that prohibit the recruitment and use of child soldiers, as widely as possible in military instruction;
- Sharing research, experiences and best practices where appropriate with other governments, militaries and organizations such as the Office of the UN SRSG for CAAC and the International Committee of the Red Cross; and
- Engaging with other governments and militaries to promote the Vancouver Principles and encourage their national implementation.

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