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## **A Call To All Children And Young People**

Dear Children and Young People,

The 'Convention on the Rights of the Child' is an international agreement about the rights of children and young people up to the age of 18. Bangladesh was one of the first countries to become a part of this international agreement in 1991.

In June and September of this year, the Committee on the Rights of the Child - a group experts from around the world who care about the rights of children - will be trying to understand how far this Convention is being put in practice by different organisations and groups of people in Bangladesh.

If you are younger than 18, you are invited to share your views on the following questions:

- ✓ What is good about growing up in Bangladesh?
- ✓ What are the main risks that you face in your daily life?
- ✓ What changes would make Bangladesh a better place for you?

Your responses will be included in a report called 'Children's Voices on the Implementation of the Convention on the Rights of the Child' and shared with the Committee on the Rights of the Child. You can choose any way that you would like to reply, such as essays, letters, poems, songs, photographs or drawings. If you send a drawing or photograph, it would be very helpful if you include a note explaining the views you have expressed.

**Send your reply by 15 May 2003 to UNICEF Bangladesh, GPO Box 58, Dhaka 1000, Bangladesh.** Please write **"CALL TO ALL CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE"** on top of the envelope, and mention your name, age and address if you like. Your identity will be kept confidential.

Thank you for responding to this call. I look forward to hearing from you.  
Very best wishes,

**Morten Giersing**  
**UNICEF Bangladesh Country Representative**