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Request to the Committee on the Rights of the Child

(Adopted at the fifth plenary session, held on November 25, 2014)

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,**CONSIDERING:**

That Articles 13 and 17 of the Convention on the Rights of the Child refer to the right to freedom of expression and to the role played by mass media in the exercise of these rights;

That since the adoption of the Convention on the Rights of the Child, there have been changes in technology that have impacted the exercise of these rights and the role of mass media;

That when developing and sharing information, mass media does not sufficiently consider how traditional and non-traditional forms of media can have a negative impact on children exercising their rights under the Convention, and can result in the violation of these rights;

TAKING NOTE:

Of the conclusions of the dialogue held at the 90th meeting of the Directing Council of the IIN with the Vice President of the Committee on the Rights of the Child, that include among others, the need for a pronouncement by the Committee on this matter,

RESOLVES:

1. To request the Committee on the Rights of the Child to consider the possibility of the issuing a General Comment related to the Rights of Children and Adolescents and the role of traditional and non-traditional mass media in the exercise of these rights;
2. To instruct the Director General of the IIN to include this issue among those to be coordinated with the Committee on the Rights of the Child.