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How can we  
**PROTECT**  
migrant and  
refugee  
children??



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# A Call to Action in 6 parts



## 6 strategic priorities

- **ADDRESS THE CAUSES THAT CAUSE GIRLS AND BOYS LEAVE THEIR HOMES**
- **ENSURE ACCESS TO EDUCATION, HEALTH, AND OTHER SOCIAL SERVICES FOR ALL MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES CHILDREN**
- **KEEP FAMILIES UNITED**

## 6 strategic priorities

- **ENDING THE DETENTION OF MIGRANT AND REFUGEES CHILDREN**
- **ERADICATE XENOPHOBIA AND DISCRIMINATION**
- **PROTECT MIGRANT AND REFUGEES CHILDREN AGAINST EXPLOITATION AND VIOLENCE.**

## Some specific initiatives

- GUATEMALA:

- WORKING WITH GUATEMALA CONSULAR OFFICE IN MEXICO AND THE UNITED STATES TO ENSURE ADEQUATE PROTECTION OF GIRLS, BOYS AND ADOLESCENTS MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES

- SUPPORT FOR INTEGRAL RECEPTION PROCESSES FOR RETURNED GIRLS, BOYS AND ADOLESCENTS

- MÉXICO:

- SUPPORT TO MODELS OF ALTERNATIVE CARE FOR MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES GIRLS, BOYS AND ADOLESCENTS TO END THE DETENTION

# Algunas iniciativas específicas

- **HONDURAS:**

- PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT AND EDUCATIONAL BRIDGES FOR RETURN MIGRANT CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS**

- **EL SALVADOR:**

- INTEGRAL ATTENTION IN MUNICIPALITIES TO ADDRESS STRUCTURAL CAUSES AND REINTEGRATION FOR MIGRANT GIRLS, BOYS AND ADOLESCENTS RETURNED**

# Girls and Adolescents

**SEXUAL AND GENDER VIOLENCE AS A STRUCTURAL CAUSE IN ORIGIN,  
IN TRANSIT, IN DESTINATION AND IN RETURN**

**PRIORITY RESPONSES:**

- ✓ **STRENGTHENING OF COMPREHENSIVE CHILD PROTECTION SYSTEMS**
- ✓ **GUARANTEE COMPLIANCE WITH THE LAW TO ELIMINATE IMPUNITY**
- ✓ **ENSURE THE COLLECTION OF DATA ON VIOLENCE SUFFERING  
MIGRANT AND REFUGEE GIRLS**



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## **PRIORITY RESPONSES:**

- ✓ **LINES OF AID AND PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT FOR MIGRANT GIRLS VICTIMS OF SEXUAL AND GENDER VIOLENCE.**
- ✓ **DETERMINATION OF THE SUPERIOR INTEREST OF ALL MIGRANT GIRLS AND ADOLESCENTS BEFORE THEIR POSSIBLE REPATRIATION, ENSURING, AMONG OTHER ASPECTS, THAT THE POSSIBILITY OF THOSE RISKS OF VIOLENCE BEING ANALYZED WHEN BEING RETURNED, AND THAT THESE RISKS ARE CONSIDERED AS KEY FACTORS FOR THEIR NON RETURN.**
- ✓ **GUARANTEE THAT THE SERVICES DO NOT RE-VICTIM MIGRANT GIRLS AND REFUSED BY THEIR IRREGULAR LEGAL STATUS.**

Finally...

**Committee on the Rights of the Child and the Committee on the Rights of All Migrant Workers and their Families approved this month (November 2017) two Joint General Observations on the Rights of Children in the Context of International Migration.**

THANK YOU