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The National Council for Children

Webpage: www.brd.dk/english

About the National Council for Children

The National Council for Children is established by law pursuant to section 88 (2) of the Danish Act on Legal Protection and Administration in Social Matters, cf. Consolidation Act no. 930 of 17th September 2012.

The Danish National Council for Children is an independent state institution. The Council is politically independent and acts on its own decisions.

The National Council for Children is composed of a chairperson and six members. The Council has extensive insight into the development, rights, needs and perspectives of children. The day-to-day work of the Council is carried out by the secretariat of the National Council for Children.

The Council works to safeguard the rights of all children in Denmark. The Council's primary tasks are to:

- *advise the Danish Parliament and government on issues relevant to children*
- *inform and evaluate the conditions of children in Danish society*
- *speak on behalf of children in the public debate.*

The Ministry of Social Affairs and Integration executive order no. 1367 of 20th of December 2012 lays out the mandate of the National Council for Children.

Pursuant to law no. 568 of 18th of June 2012, the Children's Office at the Parliamentary Ombudsman together with the National Council for Children and the Danish NGO 'Children's Welfare' functions as the Danish Ombudsinstitution for Children.

The National Council for Children was originally established in 1994.

Abbreviations used throughout the report

Committee – UN Committee on the Rights of the Child

CRC – UN Convention on the Rights of the Child