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| To The  Human Rights Committee (HRC)  **Submission Statement** by Mrs. Maria Lee  NGO-**Canada Silent No More**  **Oct. 5th, 2017** |  |  |

Re: General comment No. 36, Article 6 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, (ICCPR) on “THE RIGHT TO LIFE”

## Canada Silent No More is grateful for the opportunity to share our deep concerns regarding the radical proposed changes in the new draft concerning abortion in Paragraphs 9 & 10.

Canada Silent No More is an association of abortion patients who deeply regret our abortions and want to bring education and awareness to the forefront on the pain of legal abortion and how it took the lives of our children before birth.

**We defend THE RIGHT TO LIFE for all human beings from conception to natural death.**

As a former abortion patient, Vice President of “Canada Silent No More” a mother of 4, and soon to be Grandmother, I am an expert on this issue. Like many pregnant women I was misinformed about what an abortion really was, and what it would do to my baby. Most of our colleagues were never informed about the fetal development, or given informed consent about all of the Risk factors for legal abortion. Some of our members, could never have children after their legal abortion. Many women suffer irreparable uterine and cervical damage. One day it hits you, that abortion killed your child/ren and the psychological impact is devastating for most women after their abortions. Mother’s Day was always difficult for me as I would go into the closet and cry, missing my aborted children. It is not a “safe” surgical procedure, “safe” means without harm, and abortion kills children before birth and hurt me and millions of other women. Abortionists have a huge conflict of interest.

SUMMARY:

We can see throughout history; how horrific genocides have killed millions of people mostly by evil dictators. We also know that thousands of Africans were beaten, kidnapped, sold like cattle, raped, killed and dehumanized with no Right to Life, or freedom for decades. Sadly, human slavery was legal for hundreds of years; but it was wrong. Today, we continue to fight against human trafficking and sex slavery globally.

We know that The United Nations began as an attempt to unite world leaders and nations together to stop injustices and genocides, and take a stand against atrocities on innocent victims as happened in WWII, during the notorious Holocaust. The UN stakeholders believed that this carnage would never happen again on their watch.

The entire international political community affirmed and adopted The Universal Declaration of Human Rights shortly after WWII. This was a result of the murders as Jews, including men, women and children who were systematically poisoned, gassed, shot, starved and tortured inhumanely, by the Nazis.

Terribly, millions of innocent human beings were cruelly and systematically exterminated, because they were hated and “unwanted” by Adolf Hitler and his Nazis. Yet, The Holocaust was legal; but it was wrong. It was the Nazis “choice” to exterminate the lives of millions of people, and they profited by stealing the victims’ possessions too. We know that it was the Nazi Doctors who determined who lived and who was to be murdered in the death camps.

Consequently, The General Assembly acknowledged the need to make policies and ensure UN documents convey the necessity to protect every member of the human family without any discrimination or prejudice. THE RIGHT TO LIFE in Article 3, states emphatically that “*Everyone has* ***the right to life****, liberty and security of person.”*

**Tragically,** today in many member States we have a hidden and systematic extermination of human beings taking place in abortion death camps to children before birth. The abortion providers using pro-choice propaganda rhetoric have so deceived our generation into believing it is ok and “safe” to for pregnant women to have their babies killed before birth, while they rake in millions of dollars in the systematic poisoning, dismemberment and brutal murders of children before birth. The choice to have one’s child killed before birth, should be unimaginable, never a violent form of birth control. These abortion practitioners have a big conflict of interest as they make revenue, like paid assassins off the backs of vulnerable young pregnant women. I know I was an abortion patient. I was deceived and lied to by abortion providers and speak for hundreds of thousands of women, who also regret and have deep remorse over the death of our children. A mother’s womb should be the “safest” place in the world for a child to be, however, it has become the deadliest place in the world for a baby to be. Abortion may be legal, but it too is totally wrong.

It is unbelievable that the Human Rights Committee has deviated so far from the heart and intent of the RIGHT to LIFE for the Human Family, that it is trying to exclude the lives of children before birth. It is disheartening to see that the HRC has succumbed to the devilish rhetoric of the choice to kill children before birth, in its draft proposal.

We can prove mass exterminations of the human family are taking place in most member States, along with inhumane sufferings and tragic complications in the aftermath of induced abortions. We urge the High Commissioner on Human Rights & The Human Rights Committee not to accept and tolerate this evil trend in many developed States; which do not recognize the sanctity of all human life.

General Comment No. 36, Article 6 recognizes and protects the **RIGHT TO LIFE** of ALL Human Beings, no matter what sex, language, colour, race, religion or what age they are. The right to life has critical importance both for individuals, and for society as a whole. It is the most precious inherent right and constitutes the most fundamental right to life. Therefore, every human life must be protected no matter how small, or young, as a perquisite for the enjoyment of all other rights.

The total Science community of experts confirm that Human Life begins at conception; and therefore, must be protected and respected.

In 1976, in furtherance of the UDHR, [THE INTERNATIONAL COVENANT ON](http://www.unhchr.ch/html/menu3/b/a_ccpr.htm) [CIVIL AND POLITICAL RIGHTS,](http://www.unhchr.ch/html/menu3/b/a_ccpr.htm) (ICCPR) begins with the foundational “recognition” that “***the inherent dignity and of the equal and inalienable rights of all members of the human family is the foundation of freedom, justice and peace in the world*”** and then more broadly provides for **THE RIGHT TO LIFE** in its Preamble and Article 6.

As well the vital importance of The Declaration on the Rights of the Child, states that **“the child, by reason of his physical and mental immaturity, needs special safeguards and care, including appropriate legal protection, before, as well as after birth,” -**CRC (1990) Preamble.  And ICPD (1994), Chapter II, Principle 1.

Paragraph 9,10

Scientific Biology clearly establishes the fact that human life begins at conception; and inherently ALL the DNA has the knowledge on how human beings begin is fascinating. The heart begins to beat 3-4 weeks after conception. By eight weeks all the vital organs are formed. By 9 weeks there are perfect little arms, legs, fingers and toes developed. Incredibly, each of us develop eyes to see, ears to hear, lungs to breathe, a brain, a mouth to speak etc. only taking days, weeks and months, not millions of years by the way. It is obvious that from conception we are a part of the Human Family.

From the outset, we became a **Human Being with Potential**, not a potential human being. This truth must be recognized and acknowledged by the Human Rights Committee, and the UN Members. It is crucial for you to admit that Human Life begins at conception; and therefore, children in utero must be protected and have the inalienable right to life as members of the Human Family. Whether it is politically incorrect or not, despite your individual personal beliefs or ideologies.

No matter what stage of our development, whether we are an embryo, fetus, infant, adolescent, adult or senior, the integral truth is that these are all stages of our human life, as members of the human family.

**Article 3**- Since induced, forced abortion intentionally causes the premature death of a human being, and since induced abortion is the shedding the innocent blood, and since induced abortion deprives the youngest most vulnerable human beings the enjoyment of life and freedom to live, and since Article 6 guarantees The Right to Life for all human beings without distinction of any kind; Be it resolved that every child in utero should be included and have protection and for this inherent right to life, by the Human Rights Committee. Accordingly, access to abortions should be prohibited and deterred as it is in violation of THE RIGHT TO LIFE.

Paragraph 1 of article 6 of the Covenant affords that no one shall be arbitrarily deprived of his life, and that this right shall be protected by law. It lays the foundation for the obligation of States parties to respect and to ensure THE RIGHT TO LIFE, to give effect to it through legislative and other measures, and to provide effective remedies and reparation to all victims of violations of the right to life.

Since induced abortion arbitrarily deprives human beings of their lives, and since they cannot defend or protect themselves, be it resolved that the foundation for the obligation of States respect and ensure the right to life for every human being no matter how small, or how young.

The provisions of Paragraph 3 regulate specifically the relationship between Article 6 of the Covenant and the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide (‘the Genocide Convention’). Since these paragraphs refer to the death penalty, and since induced abortion is an arbitrary form of the death penalty for innocent human beings before birth. It is a death sentence and should be inaccessible, not a form of birth control.

Deprivation of life involves a deliberate[[1]](#footnote-1) or otherwise foreseeable and preventable life-terminating harm or injury, caused by an act or omission. It goes beyond injury to bodily or mental integrity or threat thereto, which are prohibited by article 9, paragraph 1.[[2]](#footnote-2) Therefore, be it resolved that every effort be made to defend and protect innocent children in utero, before as well as after birth from harm or injury.

Since induced abortion involves a deliberate deprivation and extermination of human life, as well many studies confirm that induced abortion has a second victim, the pregnant women. Induced abortion often causes irreparable damage to cervix and uterus, as well many published studies reveal it is linked to Breast Cancer, Pre-term births and Mental health issues in the aftermath. There is no such thing as a “safe” abortion, as one patient is killed, and often the other is wounded, or suffers emotionally and psychologically later on.

States parties have the duty to refrain from engaging in conduct or laws resulting in arbitrary deprivation of life. They must also exercise due diligence to protect the lives of individuals against deprivations caused by persons or entities, whose conduct is not attributable to the State.[[3]](#footnote-3) This should include taking action against abortion clinics and abortion practitioners. The obligation of States parties to respect and ensure the right to life extends to all threats that can result in loss of life. States parties may be in violation of article 6 even if such threats have not actually resulted in loss of life.[[4]](#footnote-4) State parties will allow and tolerate the extermination of human beings before birth are in violation of Article 6, and should be condemned.

Although States parties may adopt measures designed to regulate terminations of pregnancy, such measures must not result in violation of The **RIGHT TO LIFE**.

As of this date, there are over 70 published worldwide studies reporting that induced abortion is linked to Breast Cancer[[5]](#endnote-1), and whereas over 140 published studies in peer reviewed Medical Journals declare that induced abortion is linked to cervical/uterine damage resulting in subsequent Pre-Mature births in wanted children[[6]](#endnote-2), and whereas over 81% of pregnant women who aborted suffered mental health issues, such as depression, anxiety disorders, substance abuse, suicidal ideation and attempts etc., compared to pregnant women who let their babies live[[7]](#endnote-3); be it resolved that every effort should be made to deter pregnant women from having abortions, as often this surgical invasive practice is cruel, inhumane and degrading for pregnant women and their pre-born children.

Therefore, whether legal or illegal, be it resolved that induced abortion is harmful to pregnant women and deadly to their children in utero. Since there is no such thing as a “safe” abortion, be it resolved that pregnant women and their children be protected and supported as mothers. In cases of rape, why should the child in utero receive the death penalty for the crime of the sperm donor? Therefore, be it resolved that the rapists get the full extent of the law for rape, and let the innocent child live.

State parties must also ensure the availability of adequate prenatal and post-abortion health care for pregnant women.[[8]](#footnote-5) Whereas the practice of induced abortion involves the use of systematically exterminating members of the Human Family before birth, and whereas human beings are brutally and systematically dismembered, decapitated, crushed and poisoned while in the sanctuary of their mothers’ womb, we urge all member states to take measures to protect and defend human lives in utero, as well as to warn women about all of the physical and psychological impact of abortion to their bodies and minds.

Please note that induced abortion is not a black and white issue…it is blood red, and the greatest human rights violation in our generation.

**Paragraph 10**- Regarding the termination of human lives by Physicians or staff, who request to be killed, this again is in violation of the RIGHT TO LIFE, and sick or elderly patients must be protected from being pressured, abused or euthanized. Since The Hippocratic Oath was created as a standard for the integrity of all Physicians to “DO NO HARM”, may it be resolved that Member States and their Physicians have nothing to do with the intentional deprivation of food, water and the necessities of life. People should die in peace naturally, never intentionally killed by the State or its Physicians.

**The Responsibility to Protect All Human Life**

The duty to protect the right to life requires State parties to take special measures of protection towards persons in situations of vulnerability whose lives have been placed at particular risk because of specific threats[[9]](#footnote-6) or pre-existing patterns of violence. These must include human rights defenders,[[10]](#footnote-7) journalists,[[11]](#footnote-8) prominent public figures, witnesses to crime[[12]](#footnote-9) and victims of domestic violence. As well as vulnerable, weak and defenceless children in utero, the sick, the infirm and the elderly.

Since abortion practitioners who profit from the deaths of human beings before birth, and since they employ lethal force to children before birth, be it resolved that the State and the Human Rights Committee have an obligation to ensure the actual compliance of The Right to Life article 6 and is responsible to condemn the act of forced abortion, the termination of human lives, no matter how young or small.

States parties engaged in the use of existing weapons and in the study, development, acquisition or adoption of new weapons, and means or methods of warfare must always consider their impact on the right to life. Since abortion practitioners use instrumental weapons which decapitate, dismember and crush human beings alive, before birth, they must be condemned for the violence and inhumane and vicious force used to kill children alive, before birth.

Since it was established in Nuremberg that the Nazis systematically exterminated Jewish people, because they were “unwanted” and since these horrendous acts were deemed as a crime against humanity. Be it resolved that the systematic extermination of “unwanted” children before birth, also be deemed as a crime against humanity by the Human Rights Committee.

States parties must enact a protective legal framework which includes effective criminal prohibitions on all forms of arbitrary deprivations of life by individuals, including intentional and negligent homicide, disproportionate use of firearms,[[13]](#footnote-10) infanticide,[[14]](#footnote-11) induced abortions, “honour” killings,[[15]](#footnote-12) lynching,[[16]](#footnote-13) violent hate crimes,[[17]](#footnote-14) blood feuds,[[18]](#footnote-15) death threats, terrorist attacks and other manifestations of violence or incitement to violence that are likely to result in a deprivation of life. The criminal sanctions attached to these crimes must be commensurate with their gravity,[[19]](#footnote-16) while remaining compatible with all provisions of the Covenant.

# **REQUEST FOR ACTION**

We urge the United Nations Member States, The Commission on Human Rights, The Commission on the Rights of the Child, and The Committee on Human Rights take immediate action to investigate the atrocities known as the practice of induced abortions, or terminations of pregnancy, which cause the deaths of human beings in utero, and often causes irreparable damage to women’s mental and reproductive health. Please note that many women have also died from legal abortions.[[20]](#endnote-4)

Induced abortion is the greatest crime against humanity in our generation. Accordingly, we urge you to investigate these violations of “The Right to Life” in China, Europe, USA, Canada, Australia, Russia, India and where ever induced abortions are accepted, tolerated and practiced. We hope you will not include the proposed changes in the draft, but rather that you would recommend whatever steps are needed to stop the shedding of innocent blood, where children are brutally dismembered, crushed and poisoned to death in utero. This cruel, invasive violence against vulnerable pregnant women, and their pre-born children, is disgraceful, whether the pregnant woman requests her child in utero to be slaughtered or not. Doctors should always do no harm.

As well there are over 70 credible published studies in peer reviewed medical journals revealing that abortion significantly increases the RISK of Breast Cancer, despite a cover-up by cancer societies who profit from breast cancer, and have a conflict of interest as they often support abortion providers. Also, there are over 140 published studies showing a significant increased RISK of cervical/uterine damage resulting in Pre-Mature Births in subsequent wanted children, after induced abortion. As well, a huge Meta-Analysis published in the British Journal of Psychiatry in 2011, revealed that women who abort their children had an 81% increased RISK of Mental Health issues in the aftermath, compared to women who gave birth to their “unplanned” children. [www.afterabortion.org](http://www.afterabortion.org), [www.bcpinstitute.org](http://www.bcpinstitute.org), [www.canadasilentnomore.com](http://www.canadasilentnomore.com)

We trust you will seriously consider this perspective of facts and truths, and hope that the Human Rights Committee will acknowledge, defend and protect ALL HUMAN BEINGS, no matter how young, small, or defenceless, including the lives of [[21]](#endnote-5)children before birth.

*Thank you for your attention to this perilous and prevalent matter.*

1. Communication No. R.11/45, Suarez de Guerrero v. Colombia, Views adopted on 31 March 1982, para. 13.2. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. General Comment 35, para. 9. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. Cf. Osman v UK, Judgment of the ECtHR of 28 Oct. 1998, para. 116. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. Communication No. 821/1998, Chongwe v. Zambia, Views adopted on 25 Nov. 2000, para. 5.2. Cf. Ilhan v Turkey, Judgment of the ECtHR of 27 June 2000, para. 75-76; Rochela Massacre v Colombia, I/A CHR Judgment of 11 May 2007, para. 127. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
5. www.bcpinstitute.org [↑](#endnote-ref-1)
6. http://justiceforkids.webs.com/abortioncerebralpalsy.htm [↑](#endnote-ref-2)
7. http://bjp.rcpsych.org/content/199/3/180 [↑](#endnote-ref-3)
8. Concluding Observations: Malawi (2014), para. 9. [↑](#footnote-ref-5)
9. Cf. Barrios Family v. Venezuela, Judgment of the I/A CHR of 24 Nov. 2011, para. 124. [↑](#footnote-ref-6)
10. Concluding Observations: Paraguay (2013), para. 15. See also paragraph 57 below. [↑](#footnote-ref-7)
11. Concluding Observations: Serbia (2011), para. 21; Report of the Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions, 10 April 2012, para. 105. [↑](#footnote-ref-8)
12. Concluding Observations: Colombia (2010), para. 14. [↑](#footnote-ref-9)
13. Concluding Observations: Liechtenstein (2004), para. 10. [↑](#footnote-ref-10)
14. Concluding Observations: Madagascar (2007), para. 17. [↑](#footnote-ref-11)
15. Concluding Observations: Turkey (2012), para. 13. [↑](#footnote-ref-12)
16. Concluding Observations: Mozambique (2013), para. 12; Concluding Observations: Guatemala (2012), para 18. [↑](#footnote-ref-13)
17. Concluding Observations: Indonesia (2013), para. 6; Concluding Observations: Russia (2009), para. 11. [↑](#footnote-ref-14)
18. Concluding Observations: Albania (2013), para. 10. [↑](#footnote-ref-15)
19. Concluding Observations: Russia (2009), para. 14. [↑](#footnote-ref-16)
20. http://www.safeandlegal.com/ [↑](#endnote-ref-4)
21. [www.canadasilentnomore.com](http://www.canadasilentnomore.com) [↑](#endnote-ref-5)