Annex III

Biographical data form of candidates to the Committee on the Rights of the Child (Please respect the specified amount of lines when filling out this form and return it electronically in word format to ohchr-crc@un.org)

Family name and first name: Kiladze, Sopio

Date and place of birth:16.01.1984, Kutaisi, Georgia

Place of residence: Tbilisi, Georgia

Nationality: Georgia

Email address:

United Nations working languages: English, Russian

Current position/function: ¹ (5 lines maximum)

Since 2021 Ms. Kiladze serves as a member of the Committee on the Right of the Child and as a Vice-Chair since May 2023. She is the Focal Point for Inter-Parliamentary Union.

Since 2023 she is engaged in human rights protection at the regional level in her capacity as a Member of the European Commission against Racism and Intolerance (ECRI) of the Council of Europe.

Ms. Kiladze gives lectures on Child Rights as well as in Public International Law at Grigol Robakidze University, Tbilisi, Georgia and is the holder of DAAD Scholarship for research 2022.

Other main professional activities, in particular related to children's rights: (10 lines maximum)

Ms. Kiladze served at Max-Planck Institute for Comparative Law and Public International Law, Heidelberg, Germany 2008-2011. 2012-2016 she has been serving at the Ministry of Interior of Georgia on different leading positions and working on police related reforms, amongst others pioneered for the developing of juvenile justice guarantees for children. In 2015 she became a holder of Medaille of Honour of the President of Georgia. 2016-2020 Ms. Kiladze was elected as a majoritarian MP and has been serving as a Chairperson of the Human Rights Committee as well as of the Child Rights Council (created upon her initiative) of the Parliament of Georgia. As a Member of Parliament amongst others she is the author and leaded two major reforms in the field of child rights: the Code on the Rights of the Child and the Law on Social Work. She is the author of several legislative amendments aiming protecting children from prostitution and pornography as well as from domestic violence. She launched various awareness-raising campaigns.

Since 2020 she has been working as an expert for various projects related to child rights in cooperation with international organizations: UNICEF, EU, Friedrich-Ebert Stiftung, Expertise France. Amongst many others she developed in Georgia: Case Management Coordination Mechanism supported by appropriate electronic system in the municipalities ensuring effective coordinated work of all relevant central-, and municipal agencies; Delegation Bylaw defining responsibilities between municipalities and central government social workers; Standards for Social Workers of Healthcare Institutions; Standards for Psychologists; Trainings for social workers on the Convention of the Rights of the Child; She is currently developing the draft Law of Georgia on Psychologists and leading piloting of positive parenting program.

¹ It should be noted that membership in the Committee on the Rights of the Child requires participation in three sessions (January/February, May/June and September /October) per year, each of three-week duration; in addition, pre-sessional working groups are held immediately after each session during five working days in order to prepare the following sessions. The total number of weeks during which the Committee meets in Geneva therefore amounts to at least 12 weeks per year.

Educational background: (5 lines maximum)

2006-2011 – Ruprecht-Carls University of Heidelberg, Law Faculty (Erstes Staatsexamen), Germany 2020 – to date – PhD at Grigol Robakidze University

Relevant expertise on children's rights.

Please elaborate on your areas of expertise under the Convention on the Rights of the Child and related experience: (5 lines maximum)

Ms. Kiladze has a long-standing and recognized expertise in the field of elaboration and implementation of the relevant legal frameworks for the advancements of children's rights as an author of the Code on the Rights of the Child and the Law on Social Work of Georgia, but also other pieces of legislation, including relevant bylaws. She has arranged a number of events to ensure child participation.

She has brought a new vision to the CRC, enhancing the role of Parliaments in child rights protection. Upon her initiative a special focal point for IPU was set up. She has elaborated the <u>CRC-IPU Joint Statement</u>. She co-organized several regional and international high-level events with IPU and UNICEF in order to raise awareness and guide parliamentarians in child rights protection and promotion.

Recently she has brought a new topic to the CRC: Artificial Intelligence and Child Rights. For focused work on AI she established partnership with the UNICRI Center for AI and Robotics as well as the International Telecommunications Union and the first joint event with CRC is scheduled for May 2024.

List of most recent publications in the field of children's rights: (5 lines)

- 1. S. Kiladze and A. Pirtskhalashvili Manual on Social Work Law (Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung 2018 Tbilisi)
- 2. S Kiladze and P. Turava Guiding Commentaries of the Code on the Rights of the Child (Iuristebis Samkaro 2021 Tbilisi)
- 3. S Kiladze 'Realization of Child Rights in Municipalities: according to the Code on the Rights of the Child' Academic Digest 2021. pp.60-80.
- 4. S. Kiladze 'Effectivity of Public International Law: A Need for Paradigm Change'l Torun International Studies 15 2022, pp. 5-23.