Questionnaire concerning the Practical Operation of the 1996 Child Protection Convention

Wherever your replies to this Questionnaire make reference to domestic legislation, rules, guidance or case law relating to the practical operation of the 1996 Child Protection Convention, please provide a copy of the referenced documentation in (a) the original language and, (b) wherever possible, accompanied by a translation into English and / or French.

Name of State or territorial unit: ² MEXICO		
	MEXICO	

PART I - FOR CONTRACTING PARTIES

1. Recent developments in your State

1.	Have there been any significant developments in your State regarding the legislation or procedural rules applicable in cases of international child protection? Where possible, please state the reason for the development and the results achieved in practice. No Please specify: Please insert text here
2.	Please provide the three most significant decisions concerning the interpretation and application of the 1996 Convention recently rendered by the relevant authorities ³ in your State.

Case Name	Court Name	Court Level	Brief summary of the ruling
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3. Please provide a brief summary of **any other significant developments** in your State relating to international child protection, including any regional instruments or bilateral agreements that have been negotiated or which your State has signed and ratified or acceded to (e.g., Memorandum of Understanding on the placement of children abroad):

Please insert text here

² The term "State" in this Questionnaire includes a territorial unit, where relevant.

³ The term "relevant authorities" is used in this Questionnaire to refer to the judicial or administrative authorities with decision-making responsibility under the 1996 Convention. Whilst in the majority of Contracting Parties such "authorities" will be courts (i.e., judicial), in some Contracting Parties administrative authorities remain responsible for decision-making in Convention cases.

2. Scope of application (Arts 2, 3 and 4, and C&R No 29 of 2017 SC)

4.	Have competent authorities in your State experienced any challenges, or have questions arisen, in determining the scope of the 1996 Convention (e.g., which measures of protection fall within the scope of the 1996 Convention)?
	☐ No ☐ Yes Please specify: Please insert text here
3. J	urisdiction to take measures of protection
Habi	tual residence (Art. 5 and C&R No 31 of 2017 SC)
5.	Have competent authorities in your State experienced any challenges when determining the habitual residence of the child in cases falling within the scope of the 1996 Convention?
	☐ No ☐ Yes Please specify: Please insert text here
Inter	national child abduction (Arts 7 and 50)
6.	Have competent authorities in your State experienced any challenges, or have questions arisen, in making a determination whether to exercise jurisdiction in cases of wrongful removal or retention of the child?
	☐ No ☐ Yes Please specify: Please insert text here
Penc	ling divorce or legal separation of the child's parents (Art. 10)
7.	Have competent authorities in your State experienced any challenges, or have questions arisen, in making a determination whether to exercise jurisdiction in cases where there is a pending divorce or legal separation of the child's parents (Art. 10)?
	☐ No ☐ Yes Please specify: Please insert text here
Trans	sfer of jurisdiction (Arts 8 and 9)
8.	How often have competent authorities in your State experienced cases of transfer of jurisdiction under Articles 8 and / or 9 of the 1996 Convention?
	☐ Do not know ☐ Never ☐ Rarely ☐ Sometimes

	☐ Very often ☐ Always
	If possible, please provide supplementary information: Please insert text here
9.	Has your State developed any good practices, procedures, guidelines or protocols to facilitate the transfer of jurisdiction?
	 Yes Please specify and provide the links to relevant documents whenever possible: Please insert text here No Please specify any reasons: Please insert text here
4. S	pecial types of measures of protection
Urge	t measures of protection (Art. 11)
10.	Have competent authorities in your State experienced any challenges, or have questions arisen, with respect to the application of Article 11 (e.g., the definition of "urgency"; scope, nature and duration of measures)? No Yes, in cases of international child abduction. If possible, please provide more details about the experience of your State using Article 11 in cases of international child abduction: Please insert text here Yes, in other situations. Please describe in which other situations a competent authority in your jurisdiction has applied Article 11: Please insert text here
Provi	sional measures (Art. 12)
11.	Have competent authorities in your State experienced any challenges, or have questions arisen, in applying Article 12 (e.g., definition as to what may constitute a "provisional character"; scope, nature and duration of measures)? No Yes Please describe:
	Please insert text here
5. A	pplicable law (Chap. III)
12.	Have competent authorities in your State experienced any challenges, or have questions arisen, in relation to the applicable law rules provided by Articles 15, 16 and 17 of the 1996 Convention?
	☐ No ☐ Yes Please describe: Please insert text here

6. Recognition and enforcement

13. Have competent authorities in your State experienced any challenges, or have questions arisen, i relation to the recognition of measures of protection , from the perspective of the requested States
☐ No ☐ Yes Please describe: Please insert text here
Advance recognition (Art. 24)
14. How often have competent authorities in your State experienced cases of requests for advance recognition?
☐ Do not know ☐ Never ☐ Rarely ☐ Sometimes ☐ Very often ☐ Always
If possible, please provide supplementary information: Please insert text here
15. Have judicial or administrative procedures, guidelines, or protocols been adopted in your State t facilitate the application of Article 24?
Yes, but there have been no changes since the last SC meeting Yes, with changes since the last SC meeting. Please specify: Please insert text here No
Declaration of enforceability or registration for the purpose of enforcement (Arts 26, 27 and 28)
16. In relation to the <i>simple and rapid procedure</i> for declaring enforceable or registering for the purpos of enforcement of measures of protection taken in another Contracting Party (Art. 26), what is the practice in your State?
a) Which authority declares enforceable or registers a measure of protection taken in another Contracting Party? Please specify:
Please insert text here
b) What time frames are applied to ensure that the procedure is rapid? Please explain:
Please insert text here
c) Is legal representation required? Please explain:
Please insert text here

in your State?	any challenges, or have questions arisen, in applying Articles 26, 27 and 7 or 28
☐ No ☐ Yes Please desc Please inser	
7. Cooperation (Chap	o. V)
Central Authority practi	ce
-	iny challenges, or have questions arisen, in applying Article 30 in your State (e.g., imeliness of responses to requests)?
No Yes Please desc	
Services available	
•	ered the 2016 Questionnaire, please indicate whether since then there have been ation to the services provided by your Central Authority:
	proceed to question No 22 continue answering the following questions
may vary, does yo	nding that services provided by Central Authorities under the 1996 Convention ur Central Authority provide assistance to individuals habitually resident in your it in connection with the following matters? If so, please specify the nature of the ed.
Matter	Service(s) provided
a) A request to organise or secure effective exercise of rights of access in another Contracting Party (requested State) ⁴	 □ 1. None □ 2. Assistance in obtaining information on the operation of the 1996 Convention □ 3. Assistance in obtaining information on the relevant laws and procedures in the requested State □ 4. Establishment of contact with the Central Authority and / or the competent authorities in the requested State to find out the kind of assistance such authorities could provide
	 5. Transmission of the request to the Central Authority or to the competent authorities in the requested State 6. Assistance in initiating judicial or administrative proceedings with a view to making arrangements for organising or securing the effective exercise of
	rights of access 7. Assistance in providing or facilitating the provision of legal aid and advice 8. Assistance in obtaining private legal counsel or mediation services, where needed in the requested State
	9. Referral to other governmental and / or non-governmental organisations for assistance

 $^{^4}$ See in this context, e.g., the <u>Practical Handbook</u> on the Operation of the 1996 Child Protection Convention, sections 11(E)(d) and 13(B) (2014).

		☐ 10. Provision of regular updates on the progress of the application
		11. Other, please specify:
		Please insert text here
b)	A request to secure	1. None
	the return to your State of a child	2. Assistance in obtaining information on the operation of the 1996 Convention
	subject to	3. Assistance in obtaining information on the relevant laws and procedures
	international	in the requested State
	abduction where the	4. Establishment of contact with the Central Authority and / or the
	1980 Convention is	competent authorities in the requested State to find out the kind of assistance
	not applicable	such authorities could provide
		5. Transmission of the request to the Central Authority or to the competent
		authorities in the requested State
		6. Assistance in discovering the whereabouts of a child who has been
		wrongfully removed or retained
		7. Assistance in taking provisional / urgent measures of protection to
		prevent further harm to the child
		8. Assistance in securing the voluntary return of the child or in bringing
		about an amicable resolution of the issue 9. Assistance in initiating judicial or administrative proceedings with a view
		to obtaining the return of the child
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		advice
		☐ 11. Assistance in providing such administrative arrangements as may be
		necessary and appropriate to secure the safe return of the child
		12. Assistance in obtaining private legal counsel or mediation services
		☐ 13. Referral to other governmental and / or non-governmental
		organisations for assistance
		14. Regular updates on the progress of the application
		15. Other, please specify:
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	habitually resident	3. Assistance in obtaining information on the relevant laws and procedures
	in another	in the requested State
	Contracting Party	4. Establishment of contact with the Central Authority and / or the
	(e.g., a child	competent authorities in the requested State to find out the kind of assistance
	returned as a result	such authorities could provide
	of child abduction	5. Transmission of the request to the Central Authority or to the competent
	proceedings or a	authorities in the requested State
	child who has	6. Other, please specify:
	moved as a result of	Please insert text here
	a relocation) (see	
	Art. 32(a))	
e)	A request that the	1. None
	competent	2. Assistance in obtaining information on the operation of the 1996
	authorities of	Convention
	another Contracting	3. Assistance in obtaining information on the relevant laws and procedures
	Party decide on the	in the requested State
	recognition or non-	☐ 4. Establishment of contact with the Central Authority and / or the
	recognition of a	competent authorities in the requested State to find out the kind of assistance
	measure taken in	such authorities could provide
	your State (see	5. Transmission of the request to the Central Authority or to the competent
	Art. 24)	authorities in the requested State
		6. Assistance in obtaining private legal counsel
		 7. Regular updates on the progress of the request
		8. Other, please specify:
		Please insert text here
f)	A request that the	☐ 1. None
	competent	☐ 2. Assistance in obtaining information on the operation of the 1996
	authorities of	Convention
	another State Party	☐ 3. Assistance in obtaining information on the relevant laws and procedures
	declare enforceable	in the requested State
	or register for the	☐ 4. Establishment of contact with the Central Authority and / or the
	purpose of	competent authorities in the requested State to find out the kind of assistance
	enforcement	such authorities could provide
	measures taken in	5. Transmission of the request to the Central Authority or to the competent
	your State (see	authorities in the requested State
	Art. 26)	☐ 6. Assistance in obtaining private legal counsel
		7. Regular updates on the progress of the request
		8. Other, please specify:
		Please insert text here
	21 With the understa	nding that services provided by Central Authorities under the 1996 Convention

21. With the understanding that services provided by Central Authorities under the 1996 Convention may vary, if your Central Authority were to receive a request of assistance from **another Central Authority** on behalf of an individual residing abroad, in connection with the following matters, please specify the nature of the assistance that your Central Authority provides or would provide if the situation were to arise.

Matter	Service(s) provided
a) A request to organise or secure effective exercise of rights of access in another	 1. None 2. Assistance in obtaining information on the operation of the 1996 Convention 3. Assistance in obtaining information on the relevant laws and procedures in the requested State 4. Establishment of contact with the Central Authority and / or the competent authorities in the requested State to find out the kind of assistance such authorities could provide 5. Transmission of the request to the Central Authority or to the competent authorities in the requested State

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Contracting Party	☐ 6. Assistance in initiating judicial or administrative proceedings with a
(requested State) ⁵	view to making arrangements for organising or securing the effective
	exercise of rights of access
	7. Assistance in providing or facilitating the provision of legal aid and
	advice
	8. Assistance in obtaining private legal counsel or mediation services,
	where needed in the requested State
	9. Referral to other governmental and/or non-governmental
	organisations for assistance
	☐ 10. Provision of regular updates on the progress of the application
	-
	11. Other, please specify:
	Please insert text here
b) A request to secure	1. None
the return to your	2. Assistance in obtaining information on the operation of the 1996
State of a child	Convention
subject to	☐ 3. Assistance in obtaining information on the relevant laws and
international	procedures in the requested State
abduction where	4. Establishment of contact with the Central Authority and / or the
the 1980	competent authorities in the requested State to find out the kind of assistance
Convention is not	such authorities could provide
applicable	5. Transmission of the request to the Central Authority or to the
	competent authorities in the requested State
	6. Assistance in discovering the whereabouts of a child who has been
	wrongfully removed or retained
	7. Assistance in taking provisional / urgent measures of protection to
	prevent further harm to the child
	8. Assistance in securing the voluntary return of the child or in bringing
	about an amicable resolution of the issue
	9. Assistance in initiating judicial or administrative proceedings with a
	view to obtaining the return of the child
	10. Assistance in providing or facilitating the provision of legal aid and
	advice
	11. Assistance in providing such administrative arrangements as may
	be necessary and appropriate to secure the safe return of the child
	12. Assistance in obtaining private legal counsel or mediation services
	13. Referral to other governmental and / or non-governmental
	organisations for assistance
	14. Regular updates on the progress of the application
<u> </u>	Please insert text here
c) A request to secure	1. None
the return to your	2. Assistance in obtaining information on the operation of the 1996
State of a runaway	Convention
child (see	3. Assistance in obtaining information on the relevant laws and
Art. 31(c))	procedures in the requested State
	4. Establishment of contact with the Central Authority and / or the
	competent authorities in the requested State to find out the kind of assistance
	such authorities could provide
	5. Transmission of the request to the Central Authority or to the
	competent authorities in the requested State
	6. Assistance in discovering the whereabouts of a runaway child
	7. Assistance in initiating judicial or administrative proceedings with a
	view to obtaining the return of the child

 $^{^{5}}$ See in this context, e.g., the <u>Practical Handbook</u> on the Operation of the 1996 Child Protection Convention, sections 11(E)(d) and 13(B) (2014).

		 8. Assistance in providing or facilitating the provision of legal aid and advice 9. Assistance in providing such administrative arrangements as may be necessary and appropriate to secure the safe return of the child 10. Assistance in obtaining private legal counsel 11. Referral to other governmental and / or non-governmental organisations for assistance 12. Regular updates on the progress of the application 13. Other, please specify: Please insert text here
d)	A request for a	☐ 1. None
	report on the	2. Assistance in obtaining information on the operation of the 1996
	situation of a child	Convention
	habitually resident in another	☐ 3. Assistance in obtaining information on the relevant laws and procedures in the requested State
	Contracting Party	4. Establishment of contact with the Central Authority and / or the
	(e.g., a child	competent authorities in the requested State to find out the kind of assistance
	returned as a result	such authorities could provide
	of child abduction	☐ 5. Transmission of the request to the Central Authority or to the
	proceedings or a	competent authorities in the requested State
	child who has moved as a result	6. Other, please specify: Please insert text here
	of a relocation)	Please insert text here
	(see Art. 32(a))	
e)	A request that the	☐ 1. None
	competent	2. Assistance in obtaining information on the operation of the 1996
	authorities of	Convention
	another Contracting Party	3. Assistance in obtaining information on the relevant laws and procedures in the requested State
	decide on the	4. Establishment of contact with the Central Authority and / or the
	recognition or non-	competent authorities in the requested State to find out the kind of assistance
	recognition of a	such authorities could provide
	measure taken in	5. Transmission of the request to the Central Authority or to the
	your State (see	competent authorities in the requested State 6. Assistance in obtaining private legal counsel
	Art. 24)	7. Regular updates on the progress of the request
		8. Other, please specify:
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f)	A request that the	1. None
	competent	2. Assistance in obtaining information on the operation of the 1996
	authorities of	Convention
	another Contracting Party	3. Assistance in obtaining information on the relevant laws and procedures in the requested State
	declare	4. Establishment of contact with the Central Authority and / or the
	enforceable or	competent authorities in the requested State to find out the kind of assistance
	register for the	such authorities could provide
	purpose of	5. Transmission of the request to the Central Authority or to the
	enforcement	competent authorities in the requested State
	measures taken in your State (see	6. Assistance in obtaining private legal counsel7. Regular updates on the progress of the request
	Art. 26)	8. Other, please specify:
	 /	Please insert text here

Mediation, conciliation or similar methods (Art. 31(b))

22. How does your Central Authority (either directly or through public authorities or other bodies) take appropriate steps under **Article 31(b)** to facilitate, by mediation, conciliation or similar means, agreed solutions for the protection of the person or property of the child in situations to which the 1996 Convention applies?

Please explain:

Please insert text here

		Talla provident of care abroad (i.i. a so)
23.	Have	e authorities in your State experienced any challenges, or have questions arisen, in relation to:
	a)	the scope of application of Article 33 (e.g., in case of placement with relatives, migrant children) Please provide further details, if possible: Please insert text here
	b)	☐ time frames of consultations under Article 33 Please provide further details, if possible: Please insert text here
	c)	the availability of equivalent measures of protection in the other Contracting Party or differences in the applicable domestic legislation Please provide further details, if possible: Please insert text here
	d)	☐ financial costs involved in the placement / provision of care abroad Please provide further details, if possible: Please insert text here
	e)	other practical issues arising from the placement / provision of care abroad (e.g., documentation, immigration matters) Please provide further details, if possible: Please insert text here
	f)	other issues relating to Article 33. Please specify: Please insert text here
24.		e judicial or administrative procedures, guidelines, or protocols been adopted in your State to with the placement procedure under Article 33?
		No Yes Please describe and also provide a link or attach any relevant documents, preferably translated into English or French: Please insert text here
25.		the placement of the child abroad to another Contracting Party, does your State seek follow iformation on the situation of that child?
		No Yes Please describe: Please insert text here

Reports (Arts 32, 33 and 34)

26. Have authorities in your State experienced any challenges, or have questions arisen, in providing obtaining reports or information under Article 32, 33 or 34?	en, in providing or
☐ No ☐ Yes ☐ Please describe: Please insert text here	
27. Do authorities in your State use a standard template when providing a report on the (situation the) child under Article 32 or 33?	of
 No Yes Please attach the template to your response (preferably translated into English or French): Please insert text here 	
Assistance from the authorities of another Contracting Party	
28. Have competent authorities in your State experienced any challenges, or have questions arisen, applying Article 35 ?	, in
☐ No ☐ Yes Please describe: Please insert text here	
29. Have judges in your State used direct judicial communications in cases falling under the 199 Convention?	96
 No Yes Please specify in relation to which specific matters (e.g., transfer of jurisdiction, placement of a child):: Please insert text here 	
8. General provisions	
Article 40 Certificates	
30. How often have competent authorities in your State issued Article 40 certificates indicating t capacity in which a person having parental responsibility or entrusted with the protection of t child's person or property is entitled to act and the powers conferred upon him or her?	
☐ Do not know ☐ Never ☐ Rarely ☐ Sometimes ☐ Very often ☐ Always	

31. Has your State experienced any challenges, or have questions arisen, in relation to requests under Article 40 ?
☐ No ☐ Yes Please describe: Please insert text here
Issues in relation to the property of the child (Arts 55 and 60)
32. How often have competent authorities in your State dealt with measures for the protection of the property of the child by using the framework of the Convention?
☐ Do not know ☐ Never ☐ Rarely ☐ Sometimes ☐ Very often ☐ Always If possible, please provide supplementary information: Please insert text here
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9. Special topics
International family relocation
33. Has your State adopted specific procedures for international family relocation?
 Yes Please describe such procedures, if possible: Please insert text here No Please describe how the authorities deal with international family relocation cases, if possible: Please insert text here
34. Are you aware of any use being made of Article 24, which provides for advance recognition, in lieu of or in connection with international family relocation?
☐ No ☐ Yes Please explain: Please insert text here
35. Are you aware of any use being made of other provisions of the 1996 Convention in cases where a parent wishes to relocate with his or her child to another State?
☐ No ☐ Yes Please explain: Please insert text here

Children subject to international abduction

36. Have authorities in your State experienced any challenges, or have questions arisen, in relation to the application of the 1996 Convention (e.g., Art. 50) in cases of child abduction where the 1980 Convention was <u>not</u> applicable (see Questions 20(b) and 21(b) above)?
☐ No ☐ Yes Please describe: Please insert text here
37. In cases of child abduction where both the 1980 Convention and the 1996 Convention were applicable, have authorities in your State made use of provisions under the 1996 Convention (e.g., Art. 50) in addition to or instead of provisions of the 1980 Convention?
No Yes Please specify the provisions and explain: Please insert text here
38. In cases of child abduction, whether or not the 1980 Convention is applicable, have authorities in your State used the cooperation provisions in Chapter V of the 1996 Convention to determine whether adequate measures of protection are available in the State of the habitual residence of the child (e.g., to facilitate the safe return of the child)?
No Yes Please explain: Please insert text here
39. In cases of child abduction, have competent authorities in your State taken measures of protection under Article 11, as an alternative to measures of protection in the form of mirror orders or undertakings, to facilitate the safe return of the child?
☐ No ☐ Yes Please explain: Please insert text here
Unaccompanied and separated children ⁶ and emergency situations (Art. 6)
40. How often have competent authorities in your State dealt with cases involving refugee children, internationally displaced children, or children whose habitual residence cannot be established by using the framework of the 1996 Convention?
☐ Do not know ☐ Never ☐ Rarely ☐ Sometimes ☐ Very often ☐ Always

In relation to this section of the Questionnaire, see <u>Prel. Doc. No 7 of February 2020</u>, "The application of the 1996 Child Protection Convention to unaccompanied and separated children".

If possible, please provide supplementary information:

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aı	There the habitual residence of a child present in your State could not be established , have athorities in your State used any of the cooperation provisions of the 1996 Convention in etermining the child's place of habitual residence?
	☐ No ☐ Yes ☐ Please specify: ☐ Please insert text here
W	ave competent authorities in your State had experience with providing assistance to discover the hereabouts of children that went missing due to disturbances occurring in their State of habitual sidence by using the framework provided by the 1996 Convention?
	NoYesPlease specify:Please insert text here
	ave procedures, guidelines, or protocols been adopted in your State to deal with the protection of naccompanied or separated children in the context of the 1996 Convention?
	 No Yes Please describe and also provide a link or attach any relevant documents, preferably translated into English or French: Please insert text here
ar aı	emergency situations, such as a humanitarian crisis, have authorities in your State experienced by challenges, or have questions arisen, in regard to the exchange of information among athorities of the Contracting Parties, in particular taking into account Articles 36 and 37 of the 996 Convention?
	Please insert text here
19	re you aware of whether Preliminary Document No 7 of February 2020, "The application of the 996 Child Protection Convention to unaccompanied and separated children", has been brought to be attention of the competent authorities in your State?
	☐ No ☐ Yes ☐ Please specify: Please insert text here

International access / contact cases involving children

46. Should your State also be a Contracting Party to the 1980 Convention, are you aware of any use being made of provisions of the 1996 Convention, including those under **Chapter V**, in lieu of or in connection with an application under **Article 21** of the 1980 Convention?⁷

The Explanatory Report (Lagarde) on the 1996 Convention notes that cooperation under Art. 35(1) between authorities of States Parties with respect to rights of access "serves in a certain way to complete and reinforce the co-operation, which is not always effective, provided for the same purpose between Central Authorities" under Art. 21 of the 1980 Convention. Explanatory Report, para. 146 (1997).

No Yes Please explain:
Please insert text here

Practical Handbook

•	bu have any observations or comments to share concerning the Practical Handbook on the ation of the 1996 Child Protection Convention?
	No Yes
	Please specify:
	Please insert text here

Agenda items for the next SC meeting

48. Are there any **particular issues** that your State would like the SC meeting to discuss in relation to the 1996 Convention? Please specify and list in order of priority:

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PART II - FOR NON-CONTRACTING PARTIES

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