Human Rights

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| \*From the “Universal Declaration of Human Rights” | \*\*Convention on the Rights of the Child |
| Article 3.Everyone has the right to life, liberty and security of person. | Article 61. States Parties recognize that every child has the inherent right to life.2. States Parties shall ensure to the maximum extent possible the survival and development of the child. |
| Article 13.2. Everyone has the right to leave  any country, including his own,  and to return to his country. | Article 102. A child whose parents reside in different States shall have the right to maintain on a regular basis, save in exceptional circumstances, personal  relations and direct contacts with both parents. Towards that end and in accordance with the obligation of States Parties under article 9,  paragraph 1, States Parties shall respect the right of the child and his or  her parents to leave any country, including their own, and to enter their  own country. The right to leave any country shall be subject only to such  restrictions as are prescribed by law and which are necessary to protect  the national security, public order *(ordre public)*, public health or morals  or the rights and freedoms of others and are consistent with the other  rights recognized in the present Convention. |
| Article 14.1. Everyone has the right to seek and to enjoy in other countries asylum from persecution. | Article 221. States Parties shall take appropriate measures to ensure that a child who is seeking refugee status or who is considered a refugee in accordance with applicable international or domestic law and procedures shall, whether unaccompanied or accompanied by his or her parents or by any other person, receive appropriate protection and humanitarian assistance in the enjoyment of applicable rights set forth in the present Convention and in other international human rights or humanitarian instruments to which the said States are Parties. |
| Article 16.3. The family is the natural and fundamental group unit of society and is entitled to protection by society and the State. |  |

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| Article 25.2. Motherhood and childhood are entitled to special care and assistance. All children, whether born in or out of wedlock, shall enjoy the same social protection. |  |

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