

## **A SUMMARY OF THE UNITED NATIONS DECLARATION OF THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD**

All children have:

- 1) The right to have equality, regardless of race, colour, sex, language, religion, political or other opinion, or national or social origin.
- 2) The right to grow up in a healthy and normal way – free and with dignity.
- 3) The right to have a name and be a citizen of a country.
- 4) The right to good food, housing and medical care.
- 5) The right to special care if handicapped in any way.
- 6) The right to love and understanding, preferably from parents.
- 7) The right to go to school for free, to play and to have an equal chance to be what they are and to learn to be responsible and useful.
- 8) The right to be always amongst the first to get protection and relief.
- 9) The right not to be harmed or to be hired for work until old enough.
- 10) The right to be brought up in a spirit of peace and friendship.

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