

**Office of the Secretary of the UNICEF Executive Board**

**Template for delegations commenting on the draft country programme documents**

**2023 first regular session**

***Draft country programme document commenting period for Cabo Verde common country programme document: 7 to 25 November 2022 [18:00 EST]***

***Draft country programme document commenting period for Algeria; Bolivia (Plurinational State of); Central African Republic; Costa Rica; Dominican Republic; Ecuador; Haiti; Iran (Islamic Republic of); Lebanon; Nepal; Pacific Islands (multi-country programme); Palestinian children and women in Jordan, Lebanon, the Syrian Arab Republic and the State of Palestine (area programme); Sao Tome and Principe; and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of): 15 November to 5 December 2022 [18:00 EST]***

Delegations are kindly invited to use this template to share their comments on the draft country programme document being presented to the Executive Board during the forthcoming session.
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Delegation name: EU

Draft country programme document: Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela

In accordance with Executive Board decision [2014/1](#), draft country programme documents are considered and approved in one session, on a no-objection basis. All comments received by the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board before the deadline stated above will be posted on the Executive Board website, and considered by the requesting country, in close consultation with UNICEF.

	<b>Delegation's comments</b>	<b>Response(s)</b>
<b>General comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The CPD is in line with UNICEF's mission in VE, covering all its traditional areas of intervention.</li><li>• The CPD is coherent with the government's development programme and aligned with the Government's priorities.</li><li>• In general, the CPD programme should include a central focus of attention on programmes providing assistance and support to abused children and children victims of violence in general, to migrants' children and to pregnant girls. The CPD could better cover these areas of intervention and explain how these will be addressed.</li></ul>	

<p><b>Comments on specific aspects of the draft country programme document</b></p>	<p><i>(Delegations providing comments may wish to include details, such as the page number, paragraph number, or page of the annexed results and resources framework.</i></p> <p>Point 12. of the CPD mentions that children and adolescents benefit from a system of social protection and inclusive policies with access to comprehensive practices and policies, could you explain and be more explicit about what kind of programme you intend to implement in this framework for action, the approach and action is very general.</p> <p>In the 18. point of the education component with the gender component should be much stronger and explicit, given than many of the difficulties experiences by women start in education and school. Components of sexual education should be included explicitly into the school programme.</p> <p>The CPD 19. point, one side mentions identity, and other side violence. The latter issues is also an issue at schools, and a justice issue. Special protection should be considered explicitly for all children</p>	