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Adoption without Consent

Critique of the <u>Study</u>¹ requested by the Committee on Petitions for the EU Parliament In the Context of Petition 1707/2013 to Abolish Adoptions without Parental Consent²

Background

Petition 1707/2013 was presented orally first on 19.03.14 and has been kept open since, addressing the Systemic Patterns of Child Snatching and Forced Adoptions in the UK³ – on behalf of over 9,000 signers of online petitions, 20,000 children who are currently in public care and 1,000 parents whose children are taken every month – one every 20 minutes as Channel IV publish on 15,000 Kids and counting⁴ and BBC on Adoption: Thousands of children forcibly taken into care⁵ – with a contribution by Cecilia Wikstrom MEP⁶.

In response to the recommendations made by the <u>commissioned study</u>⁷, this list stems from the experience of hundreds of cases between us as 'McKenzie Friends', assisting 'litigants in person' in a variety of courts.

Our Recommendations

- 1) "The child's best interest" is a catchall phrase coined by those who benefit in terms of 'perks' in the form of sex, money, career or any combination thereof without caring for the traumatisation caused by parental separation and alienation as a guarantee for ensuing psychological and mental health problems.
- 2) We therefore feel that the following issues are important:
 - Regarding child snatching as policy and the resulting high frequency:
 - i) To STOP rewarding Councils for separating children from their birth parents;
 - ii) To START rewarding Councils for implementing respite, counselling, therapy and home help first.
 - Regarding adoptions forced upon parents by judges against their will:
 - i) To follow the Australian model and **apologise** for unjust and unjustified adoptions;
 - ii) To facilitate contact with birth parents after adoption;
 - iii) To make adoptions reversible by listening to the children and letting them decide.

¹ http://www.europarl.europa.eu/RegData/etudes/STUD/2015/519236/IPOL_STU(2015)519236_EN.pdf

² https://www.change.org/p/eu-parliament-abolish-adoptions-without-parental-consent

³ https://punishmentwithoutcrime.wordpress.com/2014/02/28/systemic-patterns-of-child-snatching-and-forced-adoptions-in-the-uk-a-first-draft-for-the-eu-petitions-committee/

⁴ http://www.channel4.com/programmes/15000-kids-and-counting

⁵ http://www.bbc.com/news/uk-31089412

⁶ http://www.europarl.europa.eu/committees/en/peti/home.html

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- Regarding **survivors** of institutional, organised and orchestrated abuse:
 - i) To ensure that the National Inquiry delivers what it promises;
 - ii) To STOP whistleblowers⁸ from being harassed, bullied, tortured and persecuted;
 - iii) To START procedures to ensure that whistleblowers like myself are not only protected but encouraged and empowered to come forward.
 - iv) That today's child victims who become tomorrow's witnesses are already listened to now as suggested by the Channel IV program on ritual abuse in 1990: Listen to the Children!9
- Regarding **international treaties** and jurisdiction:
 - To set up Monitoring Agencies such as Ethics and Justice Panels¹⁰ so that the independence of the Judiciary and the 'discretion of individual judges' can be counteracted.
- 3) Our assertions and recommendations are based on the experience of assisting victims as litigants in person at different stages in their process of losing their child(ren). As the Association of McKenzie Friends (lay legal advisors) we had the 'privilege' of having assisted the worst of all cases – worst in terms of number of child victims involved, punishment of mother and child for having violated 'gagging orders', children adopted for not valid reasons and custody over children being handed to abusive parents.
- 4) It is hoped that MEPs will be sufficiently shocked that they will do everything within their powers to STOP the snatching and adopting without consent in progress every day.
- 5) 3,020 children a year means 12 children per working day. Gone for good from their birth parents' lives. For ever, while it is well researched that most adoptees will look for their roots and birth parents.
- 6) It is also hoped that MEPs will START bringing healing and resolution to those people whose lives were ruined by UK authorities defending their actions with "policy" and "just doing my job".
- 7) Finally, it is hoped that this response creates greater awareness of the real challenge: how the EU is making paedophilia legal across Europe¹¹. The article spelled out in 2009 what we are now observing:
 - How the state gets access to children When is it ok to remove a child from his or her birth family?¹² a Parliamentary report of the Council of Europe;
 - Famous paedophiles¹³ in the UK paedophilia became topical after Jimmy Savile¹⁴'s death in 2011;
 - In Germany, the NGOs Children in Danger and Innocence in Danger have been active since the 1990s trying to stop the trend of childhood sexualisation and paedophilia.
- 8) Attempts to legalise paedophilia¹⁶ are numerous and international.
 - In the EU, the Lisbon Treaty would provide the loophole.
- 9) Would a European Court for Child Rights be a necessary and desirable solution?

⁸ https://nationalinguiry.wordpress.com/abuse-survivors/

⁹ https://vid.me/KTzl

¹⁰ http://victims-unite.net/2014/04/18/ethics-and-justice-panels-for-public-accountability-including-councillors-amsmps-and-meps/

¹¹ http://tapnewswire.com/2009/09/eu-making-paedophilia-legal-across-europe/

¹² http://www.assembly.coe.int/nw/xml/News/News-View-EN.asp?newsid=5397&lang=2&cat=133

¹³ https://thecolemanexperience.wordpress.com/?s=vip+child+abuse&submit=Search

¹⁴ https://thecolemanexperience.wordpress.com/?s=jimmy+savile&submit=Search

¹⁵ http://aktion-kig.de/

¹⁶https://www.google.de/search?q=legalising+paedophilia+making+legal&oq=legalising+paedophilia+making+legal&aq s=chrome..69i57.10746j0j4&sourceid=chrome&es sm=122&ie=UTF-8