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Cambodia – Cambodia Launches Campaign to End Child Labor in Brick Industry

September 7th, 2019 - Cambodia has launched a campaign to end child labor in the brick industry by 2020, a move industry observers cautiously welcome while expressing doubts the goal will be achieved, and calling for more structural changes.

Voice of America - Full article

Chine – Des enfants du Xinjiang séparés de leurs familles

15 septembre 2019 - Les autorités chinoises devraient immédiatement remettre à leurs familles les enfants qui ont été placés dans des institutions chargées de la « protection de l'enfance » ainsi que dans des pensionnats du Xinjiang, a déclaré aujourd'hui Human Rights Watch.

Human Rights Watch – Article complet

Europe – UNHCR, UNICEF and IOM urge European states to boost education for refugee and migrant children

September 11th, 2019 - Three UN agencies are calling on European States to increase resources and practical support for their school systems to ensure all refugee, asylum-seeking and migrant children can access and stay in quality education. In a briefing paper published today, UNHCR, the UN Refugee Agency, UNICEF, the United Nations Children's Fund, and IOM, the International Organization for Migration, detail the obstacles children and adolescents born outside Europe face when trying to access education in Europe.

UNHCR - Full article

France – Des enfants migrants privés de protection : Des procédures défectueuses dans les Hautes-Alpes, comme à Paris et ailleurs

5 septembre 2019 - Les enfants migrants non accompagnés qui arrivent dans le département français des Hautes-Alpes sont soumis à des procédures d'évaluation de l'âge défectueuses privant nombre d'entre eux de la protection dont ils ont besoin, a déclaré Human Rights Watch dans un rapport publié aujourd'hui.

Human Rights Watch - Article complet

Global – 16 young people file UN human rights complaint on climate change

September 23rd, 2019 - 16 young people from around the world submitted a groundbreaking legal complaint about climate change with the United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child. Their petition shows how five regional leaders and G20 members — Respondents Argentina, Brazil, France, Germany, and Turkey — have known about the risks of climate change for decades.

Earthjustice - Full article

Hong Kong – Disappearing children of Hong Kong forgotten in the protest chaos

September 7th, 2019 - A 15-year-old boy went to an outdoor film screening and didn't come home. Police took him away for wearing a face mask his father had told him to wear, worried about the tear gas that billows through Hong Kong's streets. His frantic parents were forced to go to the High Court to get him back. Two girls, aged 13 and 15, were arrested at the same place that night, August 29, but remain in a children's home, unable to attend the first week of school.

The Sydney Morning Herald - Full article

Hong Kong – Hong Kong children form chains of protest as economic worries grow

September 8th, 2019 - Hundreds of uniformed school students, many wearing masks, formed human chains in districts across Hong Kong on Monday in support of anti-government protesters after another weekend of clashes in the Chinese-ruled city.

Reuters - Full article

Indonesia – Indonesia raises minimum age for marriages in a bid to end child brides

September 28th, 2019 - Earlier this month, Indonesia's Parliament revised its national laws to increase the legal age a girl can marry after years of pressure from advocacy groups. The amendment to the Marriage Act raised the age of marriage for girls to 19, in line with the legal age for boys, with parental permission.

Australian Broadcasting Corporation - Full article

Pakistan - Pakistani children protest in solidarity with Kashmir

September 25th, 2019 - Children stage sit-in protest in front of parliament in Islamabad, demand to restore children rights in Jammu and Kashmir.

Anadolu Agency - Full article

United Kingdom – EU children in custody to be stripped of rights as Home Office prevents them from applying for settled status

September 9th, 2019 - Ministers are accused of subjecting EU children to 'double punishment'. Dozens of vulnerable EU children serving jail sentences in Britain could be stripped of their immigration rights after Brexit because the Home Office is refusing to let them apply for settled status.

The Independent - Full Article