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**Monitoring and Reporting
Mechanism
(MRM)**

A Resource Pack for NGOs

Why a Resource Pack for NGO engagement in the MRM?

- Active vs. Passive survey methodology: the MRM performs best with support, and participation, of NGOs.
- The UN is mandated to implement the MRM, NGOs may choose to engage.
- NGOs can participate in various ways, according to their capacity, objectives, and constraints (security).
- There is a lack of information on the MRM tailored to the needs of NGOs.



Objectives

General

- Offer NGOs a range of tools that will help them engage in the MRM, in a manner that strengthens both their programs and the mechanism itself.

Specific

- Conduct internal reflection on whether and how they should strategically engaged with the MRM.
- Mainstream information about the MRM within their own organizations/teams.
- Identify and address technical capacity gaps with the aim to strengthen capacity to monitor and report on grave violations against children.

Target groups

Primary

- International and national **NGOs** present in conflict-affected areas who engage, or consider engaging, in the MRM (program, management or policy staff, both at field and HQ levels).

Secondary

- **UN actors** tasked with implementing the MRM.

Methodology

- **Online survey** disseminated widely to NGOs and UN at HQ and field
- **Wide consultations** with national and international NGOs as well as UN agencies, including O-SRSG/CAAC, UNICEF and DPKO (field and headquarter level), Sept. – December 2013.
- **Field testing** (DRC), and targeted **peer review**.



Main issues for NGOs

- **Not** presuming that participation in the MRM is desirable for NGOs.
- Importance of **articulating concrete ways** to link monitoring to response.
- **Managing expectations:** NGOs to engage in the MRM with a clear and realistic strategy / objectives.



Linkages with existing MRM guidance

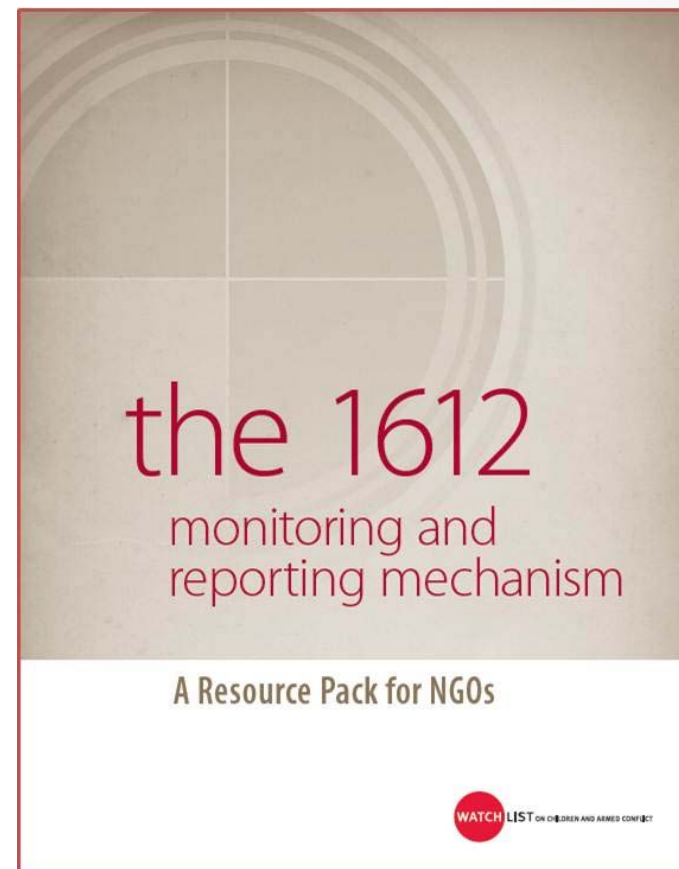
MRM guidance developed by UNICEF/DPKO/OSRSG-CAAC:

- MRM Guidelines;
- MRM Field Manual;
- MRM Training Toolkit;
- MRM Best Practices Study (available soon).

- Sections in UN materials directly relevant to NGOs:
 - Resource Pack references the relevant UN guidance/tool.
- Sections in UN materials tailored specifically to UN coordination staff tasked to implement the MRM:
 - Resource Pack adapts materials, and 'fleshes out' issues relevant for NGOs.
- Issues relevant for NGOs, but not covered by UN guidance:
 - Resource Pack formulates necessary tools to fill this gap.

Format

- Available online;
- Global dissemination via USB key;
- French and English.



Dissemination

- UK funded 1-year dissemination project: 5 training missions, 2015 update, Arabic translation.
- Resource Pack solicits feedback from practitioners.
- A living document that will be updated periodically
- Resource Pack as a basis for a 'community of practice'



Structure and content

- Understanding
 - What is it and how it works
 - NGOs and the MRM
- Planning
 - Defining a strategy for engagement in the MRM
 - Operational planning
- Engaging in the MRM
 - Basic principles and ethical standards
 - Monitoring grave violations
 - Information management and security
 - Reporting grave violations
 - Linking monitoring, prevention and response
- Learning from your experience
 - Monitoring and evaluating MRM-related activities

Demonstration



Thank you

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