

Informed Consent Form: Child

Prior to content gathering, please:

- **Pages 4 and 5 are the consent form** – print in duplication
 - one copy stays with the person interviewed/filmed/photographed
 - second copy must be stored with the footage/photos in [the MediaHub](#).
- **Pages 1, 2 and 3 guide you how to explain the process of giving consent**
- Please add the appropriate information **where indicated** and ensure this form is in the appropriate language

This consent form should help people feel more at ease, build trust, inform them of their rights, and enhance the community's perception of the ICRC. Informed consent is needed in almost every scenario. See [the ICRC's ethical content-gathering guidelines](#) for clarity

When filming or photographing a child, it is crucial that we always uphold the best interest of the child and ensure that our content gathering will not do any harm. That is why an engaged and ongoing discussion with the child and their parent/legal guardian is of utmost importance.

Checklist:

- ☐ Ensure the child and parent/legal guardian is in a comfortable location.
If the interview will include sensitive information, ensure that you have enough privacy.
- ☐ Introduce yourself and the interpreter. Check that the child and parent/legal guardian understand the interpreter and is comfortable with them doing the interpretation.
- ☐ Explain the reason why you are there.
- ☐ Go through the text of the consent form. Pause when indicated to see if child or parent/legal guardian has questions or would like you to repeat.
- ☐ Dedicate time to additionally explain the key information using age-appropriate language for the child.
- ☐ Make sure to include any context specific safety concerns so that the child and parent/legal guardian fully understands the potential dangers of telling their story.
- ☐ Remind them that they can withdraw consent at any point, including during the interview.
- ☐ Ask if they have any questions or concerns.
- ☐ If they all agree¹, have the parent/legal guardian provide consent by written signature or video recording². Make sure to go through any restrictions they can request on the use of their image, voice or full name on p.5.
- ☐ Add the contact details at the bottom of this document for withdrawing consent or for questions/concerns.
- ☐ Upload written or video consent form in the same folder as project files into [the MediaHub](#).

Example script:

The following is an example script that you can adapt for your context and the purposes of your project.

Who we are:

¹ If either the child or the parent/legal guardian do not consent, we cannot film or photograph them

² Consent by video recording can be provided if the contributor prefers

The International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) is a humanitarian organisation that supports people who are affected by armed conflict and violence. If you have any questions or concerns about the ICRC and its work, please ask an ICRC staff member at any point. You can also find more information on our website: www.icrc.org

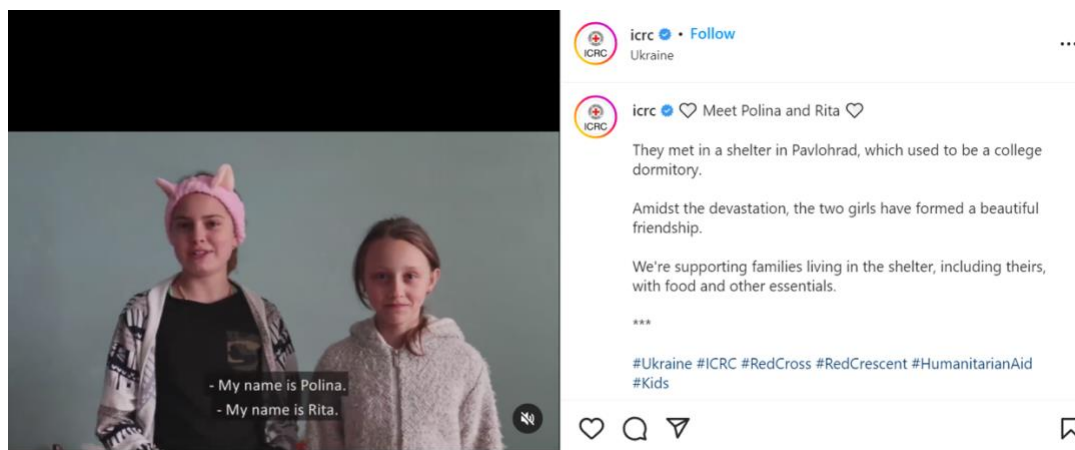
Why do we want to film or photograph your child?

Sharing your experience with us can help other people better understand what is happening here and in your community. The ICRC needs to make the public aware of what is happening here. We also want to show how the ICRC is supporting people who have been affected by conflict and violence. We may use this content to raise money for our work.

While your child tells their story, we may ask them personal questions, such as their full name, location, family situation, and ask to take photos, video, audio. It is always your choice what and how much information you would like to share with us.

Where their story may appear

These are examples of how your child's images/videos may be used:





ICRC @ICRC · Oct 23
"Now I can play with other children."

Watch how Abdulbasit's life changed after receiving his artificial legs.



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☐ **Are you happy for us to continue?**

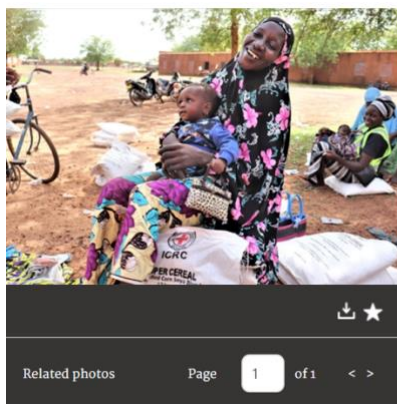
With who do we share your story and data

General public, donors, other NGOs, or media organisations. The information we collect from you will be stored in a database managed by ICRC.

Once your child's story is published, it will be available for any public audience to view. This may mean that the government, health or prison authorities will also view it. We want you to make the best decision for yourselves on what you would like to share to the public.

Where and for how long it will be stored

We may keep your photos, videos and interviews on file permanently unless you ask us to delete them from our **public archives** by email: avarchives@icrc.org or call: +41 22 730 33 55.



Reference : V-P-BF-E-00138

Date : 04/07/2022

Country/Region : BURKINA FASO

Caption : Province of Yatenga, town of Ouahigouya. The IC is distributing essential household goods and food aid.

Photographer : MANO, VALENTIN

Keyword : TWO-WHEELED VEHICLES; ICRC SIGN; WOM FOOD AID; CHILDREN UNDER ONE YEAR OLD; PARCEL; MATERIAL ASSISTANCE

Confidentiality level : public

Publication restrictions : publication without restriction

Copyright : ICRC

Description : More than 1,000 displaced households in Ga in the east of the country benefited from this assistance.

Resolution : 5747x3981

Orientation : Landscape



☐ **Would you like me to repeat anything?**

What is your say?

The ICRC is only allowed to share your child's story and personal information if you give us your consent. You can tell us what information we are allowed to share. If the story contains sensitive information, you can tell us if there are parts you don't wish us to tell or share. If your child's identity needs to be protected, we will do everything we can to protect it and keep the story anonymous.

Even if you give us your consent today, you can choose to withdraw your consent at any time during the interview or after. It is important for you to know that the information your child gives us will remain internal to the ICRC until their story is published. However, after it is published, the personal information shared with us may be reproduced, displayed and shared by others. This makes the possibility for you to delete the data more difficult.

What are your rights?

If you have any questions, concerns or complaints about the processing of personal information or data, contact the ICRC delegation in If your complaints cannot be resolved, they may refer you to the ICRC Data Protection Office (dpo@icrc.org) and/or the ICRC Data Protection Commission.

In particular, you may contact us if you want to:

- *Request access to the personal data you and your child have provided to us;*
- *If you would like more information on how the ICRC processes their personal data;*
- *If you wish to withdraw the consent you gave us;*
- *Request that we correct or delete the personal data you or your child have provided us;*

☐ **Would you like me to repeat anything?**

AV Child Consent Form - Print one copy for the ICRC, one copy for contributor



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To include: ICRC logo in relevant language

To include: Delegation's address

By signing this form:

- I understand the purpose of the process/visit.
- I understand that my child's participation in this interview or refusal will have no impact on the assistance/aid services we receive from ICRC.
- I agree to my child being filmed, photographed and/or interviewed, without payment.
- I agree that this material may be used for the purposes of communicating humanitarian issues worldwide in all media, including TV, the internet and films as well as for fundraising purposes.
- I agree this material of my child, their name, voice and biography may be used today and in the future.
- I am aware that when the content is published, the ICRC cannot control how it will be used by third parties.
- I understand I have the right to a copy of the photographs/video and to withdraw my consent at any time by contacting dpo@icrc.org or the contact detail below.

Restrictions:

I understand that I am free to set restrictions during this interview:

- ☐ I consent to the filming, recording, and use of my child's face/image. **OR**
- ☐ I do not consent to the filming, recording, and use of my child's face/image.

- ☐ I consent to the filming, recording and use of my child's voice. **OR**
- ☐ I do not consent to the filming, recording, and use of my child's voice.

- ☐ I consent to the use of my child's first name. **OR**
- ☐ I do not consent to the use of my child's first name.

Name of the parent/legal guardian

Signed

Location and date

Name of the ICRC staff/ photographer/videographer

Signed

Location and date

This consent form or filmed consent should be stored with project on the Media Hub

ICRC contact for consent withdrawal, questions or complaints:

(You can contact us if you no longer want us to tell your story or have any questions or complaints about how your story is being told)

Email of local delegation

Address of local delegation

Number of local delegation

Opening hours of local delegation

ICRC staff/photographer/videographer name

Location and date