

NICARAGUA

CRC OPTIONAL PROTOCOL (ARMED CONFLICT)

RESERVATIONS AND DECLARATIONS

(Unless otherwise indicated, the reservations and declarations were made upon ratification, accession or succession)

Declaration:

In accordance with the requirements currently in force, young persons of both sexes wishing to enter the Nicaraguan armed forces must:

1. Be between 18 and 21 years of age. Young persons choosing a military career must submit a notarized authorization from their parents or guardians in order to prevent recruitment by force or coercion;
2. Be Nicaraguan nationals;
3. Be physically and mentally fit;
4. Be unmarried and without children;
5. Not be subject to criminal proceedings and not have been convicted by the country's jurisdictional bodies;
6. Consent voluntarily and freely to join the Nicaraguan army.