DECLARATION ON THE RIGHTS OF DEAF CHILDREN

Article 1
All deaf children, like all humans, are born free and equal in dignity and rights.

Article 2
All deaf children have a right to a sign language. National sign language(s) are the only fully accessible language for deaf children from birth onwards.

Article 3
The right of deaf children to their national sign language(s) shall not be infringed.

Article 4
All parents, carers and family members of deaf children must be provided with free instruction in their national sign language(s).

Article 5
All deaf children have a right to quality, inclusive, multilingual education in their national sign language(s) and the national written language(s).\textsuperscript{[1]}

Article 6
All deaf children have a right to learn the linguistic identity and culture of the deaf community.\textsuperscript{[2]}

Article 7
All deaf children have the right to protection from language deprivation. Not providing access to the national sign language(s) to all deaf children constitutes discrimination\textsuperscript{[3]}

Article 8
All deaf children have a right to fluent national sign language models, including teachers in education.\textsuperscript{[4]}

Article 9
All deaf children have a right to express their views on all matters affecting them.\textsuperscript{[5]}

Article 10
All the above declarations must be implemented for all deaf children immediately and without delay.


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