

Life imprisonment for children in PRI regions – Status Report January 2010

Russia, Ukraine & Belarus

Children cannot be sentenced to life imprisonment

Georgia, Armenia & Azerbaijan

Criminal code prohibits children being sentenced to life imprisonment

Central Asia

Life imprisonment not applicable for those under 18

Middle East and North Africa

Jordan, Algeria & Egypt - no life sentence for children.

Jordan - maximum sentence for children is five years.

Yemen - penal code allows for children to be sentenced to the death penalty. However a draft law currently under review would abolish the death penalty for children. It is not known whether would be replaced by life imprisonment for children.