



Setting up a System for Prevention of Internet Crime and Violence against Children and Adolescents (MA'OR Network)

We decide,

In order to lead a determined and effective effort to prevent internet crime and violence, with particular emphasis on crime and violence against children and adolescents, and in an effort to bring about the creation of a safe virtual environment:

1. To set up, within the Ministry of Public Security, together with the Ministry of Education, the Ministry of Social Affairs and Social Services, the Ministry of Justice and the Ministry of Communications, the MA'OR Network (Prevention of Internet Crime and Violence) – an integrated policing and civil system, structured according to the description in this decision, **which will work on enforcing and preventing internet crime and violence, including on social networks, with special emphasis on crime and violence against children and adolescents.**
2. Steering committee:
 - A. To set up a steering committee for the prevention of internet crime and violence, to be headed by the Director General of the Ministry of Public Security. Members will be the Director General of the Ministry of Education or her representative, the Director General of the Ministry of Justice or his representative, the Director General of the Ministry of Communications or his representative, the



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Director General of the Ministry of Social Affairs and Social Services or his representative, the Director General of the Ministry of Science, Technology and Space or his representative, the Director General of the Ministry of Health or his representative, the Director of Budgets in the Ministry of Finance or his representative, the representative of the Attorney General, the representative of the State Attorney, the Head of the National Cyber Network in the Prime Minister's Office or his representative, the head of the Government Teleprocessing Authority or his representative, the head of the Department of Investigations and Intelligence in the Israel Police or his representative, the head of the MA'OR network in the Israel Police or his representative. The steering committee will summon other bodies dealing with this issue to its deliberations, including representatives from the second and third sectors, as needed.

- B. The steering committee will form the national policy for dealing with the issue of internet crime and violence; it will also prioritize the issue and approve the concept of operations, the work plans and the budget.
 - C. To decide that upon completion of the work of the public commission which will include officials from the civil service, and which is tasked with devising means for protecting the public against offensive activity and publications, as well as internet bullying, which had been set up by the Minister of Justice (the Arbel Commission), the recommendations of the Arbel Commission, which will be endorsed by the Minister of Justice, will be brought to the steering committee to evaluate their implementation within the work of the MA'OR network.
3. To determine that the MA'OR network will work to achieve the following goals:
- A. Enforcement of internet criminality against minors;



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- B. Reduction of crime and violence in the online sphere, with particular emphasis on crime and violence against children and adolescents, and creation of a safe virtual environment;
 - C. Increasing awareness of safe web surfing through advocacy and prevention programs;
 - D. Formation of a “single address” for answering public queries on this issue with emphasis on providing support in cases of violation and network bullying perpetrated against children and adolescents;
 - E. Increasing deterrence against perpetration of internet crimes against children and adolescents;
 - F. Increasing reporting of this issue and strengthening public trust and personal security.
4. To decide that as a part of the MA'OR network, the following entities will be established and operated:
- A. MA'OR Headquarters – which will manage the MA'OR network, will work to implement the policy and priorities set by the steering committee, will formulate a work plan for their implementation and will serve as a national professional advisor on this issue.
 - B. National online call center; hotline; website including a report button – which will work to prevent and enforce the law in cases of internet violence and criminality, to provide phone assistance and information and to provide the citizen with a resource for obtaining immediate assistance regarding the prevention of internet violence and safe web surfing. The call center will be operated by representatives from the Israel Police, the Ministry of Public Security, the Ministry of Education and the Ministry of Social Affairs and Social Services, as well as other relevant entities as needed.
 - C. A special police unit for fighting internet crime against minors, involving MAOR active duty police officers – the police unit will operate to enforce, reduce, monitor and



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prevent crimes against minors on the internet, including sex crimes, pedophilia, under-age prostitution, drug dealing, gambling, bullying and violence against children and adolescents. The unit will operate through skilled juvenile investigators in the fields of detection, intelligence and investigations, using sophisticated state of the art technological means.

- D. Prevention and advocacy network – which will work to increase awareness of internet violence and crime targeting minors and ways of preventing and dealing with them at the national level.

5. Establishment team:

- A. To determine that in order to implement the decision, an establishment team will be set up in the Ministry of Public Security, which will be made up of representatives from the Ministry of Public Security, the Israel Police, the Ministry of Education, the Ministry of Social Affairs and Social Services, the Ministry of Communications, and the Ministry of Justice/state prosecutor's office, and other entities which will be determined by the steering committee as needed.
- B. The establishment team will form the necessary infrastructure for building the network and its operation and will work to set up the network. The establishment team will evaluate and arrange, among other things, the following issues: formation of the concept of operations; the legal infrastructure for the activity; completion of the details of the required organizational structure; examination of collaboration with entities in the second and third sectors; budget and standards. Insofar as amendments will be called for in existing laws to facilitate the work of the MA'OR network, such amendments will be undertaken by the government ministries responsible for the relevant laws.



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- C. To decide that up until the formation and approval of the concept of operations, the Ministry of Public Security will be permitted to make use of external advisors. After approval of the concept of operations, a first-stage budget of NIS 4.5 million will be allocated, including 14 manpower positions, which will be allocated to the relevant bodies, as per the steering committee's decision. Later on, an agreement will be reached between the Ministry of Public Security and the Ministry of Finance on allocating the necessary resources for setting up the network and operating it.
- 6. To determine that within 120 days from this decision, the founding team will submit its recommendations, including the additional budgetary costs necessary for the continued setup of the MA'OR network and its ongoing operation by the partner entities, to the Minister of Public Security, who will bring them to the government for approval.
- 7. To decide that after approval of the concept of operations, the steering committee shall report every six months to the ministerial committee on countering violence on the activities of the MA'OR network.

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