# Childremoval\* evokes Outrage & Anger!

\*Refers indiscriminately to the parent who "loses" their child through wrongful placement and the placed child whose childhood is stolen.



Joint demonstration of professionals in «youth assistance» and parents who are victims of this «assistance»

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**Sunday, May 18, 2025** 

at 3:00 PM

Poelaertplein,

1000 Bruxelles

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of «youth assistance»

and this must be known!



An initiative by the "Collectif Paroles & Justice," the pages "Family Child Right," "For the love of my children," and "Abusive placements," the association "Parents, children, family love," the Winer trade union federation, the Union of the Immenses, the non-profit Comité Internacional Peruano CIP, the non-profit Yemaya, FEMMES Ixelles, "Innocence en danger Belgium," SORALIA, "Vlaanderen tegen Jeugdzorg", "VZW Centrum ouders", "Collectif Au Nom de l'enfant" and other organizations mobilized for justice and child protection in Belgium.

While everyone welcomes the existence of a "youth/child assistance" system for the "worst cases of abuse," almost no one suspects the traumas often caused by this system in less severe/serious/obvious cases, starting with placement, not as a last resort as required by law, but as a preventive measure, following a kind of precautionary principle that, in the name of the "best interests of the child," actually protects only the system itself.

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The facts are alarming: shoddy investigations, hasty judgments, presumption of parental guilt, mistreatment, emotional abuse, and various forms of power abuse, insidious manipulation (or even rushed psychiatrization) of the child, undermining the parent's image, and a desire to "punish" the parent (instead of helping them): the forms of violence are numerous, often set against a backdrop of collusion among professionals who are rarely held accountable.

#### The separation of child and parent must not be an easy solution, nor based on prejudices: it must be the ultimate last resort!

Professionals in the sector—judges, CHILDCARE and CHILD PROTECTION staff, lawyers, child psychiatrists, social workers, police, judicial experts (psychologists), general practitioners, and even the General Delegate for Children's Rights—know that dysfunctions are the rule, not the exception. And those who are outraged by this are powerless to change the tide.

## When it comes to separations that cause deep wounds for the child and leave indelible marks on their psychological development, judicial errors – sometimes akin to outright child abductions – are particularly intolerable!

Journalists highlight it, scientists document it, lawyers denounce it, parents testify to it, children run away... and everything continues as if nothing is wrong. Nothing will change if impunity and silence prevail. Can the state's failures be explained by a lack of financial resources? Yes and no. It's also a mindset. A system. An institutional machine that, once set in motion, is nearly impossible to stop.

We demand, as in France, a reform of the system, an independent audit, statistical monitoring, and interregional harmonization!

### Thanks to everyone for coming to support us on May 18 at 3:00 PM: this is a societal issue!

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