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Article 16 bis

1. The States Parties to the present Convention shall take all appropriate measures to preserve and enhance the linguistic, cultural and religious heritage of children belonging to indigenous populations or ethnic, linguistic or religious minorities.
2. In particular States Parties shall, where the best interests of the child render foster care or adoption necessary, avoid where possible the removal of children from their own group or community.