5th Annual Consultation: Race, Criminal Justice and Human Rights
Where We Live: Domestic Violence and Children in Storage
Wednesday, August 8, 2018, 2 – 5 pm - Registration
801 Second Ave., 9th floor (at E. 43rd St.), New York, NY 10017

In a plenary session speakers will update and discuss the pending NY State Domestic Violence Justice Act and the plight of Children in Storage. We will break into small, facilitated groups to discuss these and make recommendations for action. The groups will report in a final plenary session. Results will be reported to represented organizations and the public and in a mid-term “shadow report” to the UN and the State Department on U.S. performance in relation to treaty obligations under the UN Universal Periodic Review of Human Rights. UNA-USA chapter members will be able to dial in Toll-Free at +1 (855) 673-6651, access code: 86694.

- **The Domestic Violence Survivors Justice Act** (DVSJA) before the New York State legislature
  - **Ruth Hassell-Thompson**, Special Advisor for Policy and Community Affairs of New York State Homes and Community Renewal and UNA-SNY Board member
  - **Margarette Tropnas**, Program Director at Urban Resource Institute & President, UNA-USA Brooklyn Chapter

- **Children in Storage** - The plight of children separated from their families at the U.S. southern border and sent to agencies in our area and elsewhere
  - **Gerardo Jaramillo-Valencia**, New York Catholic Charities Immigrant and Refugee Services
  - **William C. Silverman**, Partner, Proskauer LLP, leading global Pro Bono efforts, including in family court, anti-trafficking, and unaccompanied minors in immigration proceedings

- **Importance to the UN and UNA-USA**
  - **Ryan Kaminski**, Senior Program Manager of Human Rights and Special Initiatives, UNA-USA
  - **Troy Wolfe**, Senior Director of Education Programs and Learning, UNA-USA

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