Method

Description of the research of a mixed nature: – interviews with the MERNAs foundation managers – questionnaires administered to the professionals who conduct the reception and the Social Work Insertion Center and the assisted minors. Participants: – 12 unaccompanied MERNAs (6 Syrians and 6 Somalis) – 1 MERN from the Social Work Insertion Center. Participants were informed and consented to participate. There was no given spare time. In addition, the participants were informed about their rights. The sampling was incidental. There was no selection process, neither for the Foundation managers nor professionals of the Reception Center and 7 MERNAs. There was no form of compensation given.

Procedure: – All data collection instruments were distributed between January and March 2017. – The interviews were conducted face to face.

Instruments: – Questionnaire for MERNAs – the adaptation of a previous one, applied to the MERNAs (Angelidou & Aguaded, 2016), which was validated and implemented in 69 items in all.
– The interview with foundation members was a modified version of the one used by Martín and Amadou Coulibaly (2010).

Results

Results linked to the interviews carried out with the Foundation Managers

– The foundation managers were predominantly informed only about the characteristics of the MERNAs that also have been known in the reception center.
– They were not informed about the fact that all the reception centers had to prepare an individual plan for their first reception and the intervention.

Results linked to the questionnaires applied to reception center professionals

– Minor receives information about their rights (No 0%)
– The educators address minors respectfully (Yes 90%)
– All the educators knock on the door before coming into the children’s room (Yes 100%)
– In general terms, the center is agreed for minors (Yes 84.6%)
– The nutritional diet is respected (Yes 90%)
– The food provided at the reception center cannot be always well
– The sanctions imposed on minors are fair (Yes 81.4%)
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– The nutritional diet is respected (Yes 100%)
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Discussion

Children consider... that they have been treated well in the reception center (7 yes, 100%)
– That they do not have to mix with the other partners and cannot easily socialize with the native population.

Results linked to the questionnaires administered to MERNAs

– In general terms, the reception center is agreeable for minors (Yes 100%)
– Educators knock on the door before coming into the children’s room (Yes 100%)
– All the educators address minors respectfully (Yes 90%)
– Minors express their opinions when decisions affecting their lives are made (Yes 75.7%)
– The sanctions imposed on minors are fair (81.4%)
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– All the educators address minors respectfully (Yes 90%)
– All the educators knock on the door before coming into the children’s room (Yes 100%)

The programming of the reception for the MERNAs was carefully planned and adapted to their characteristics.

Characteristics of the intervention they are informed about rules and rights in their language, the relationship with minors is good and respectful with their language, the relationship with minors is good and respectful with their language.

The professionals do their work appropriately and in accordance with the regulations, arising in the socialization with the other partners, arising in the socialization with the other partners, arising in the socialization with the other partners, arising in the socialization with the other partners.

General conclusion: the project carried out with MERNAs is appropriate and fulfills minors' rights and fulfills the Rights of the Minor. They have no knowledge of Spanish either.