Redundancy

Returns

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The General Assembly was ready for action after lunch and returned to the previously discussed second topic, “Global Responsibility to Protect.” Because a resolution was already passed, many delegates thought any work done on the topic would be redundant. Opposing the redundant debate was the delegate from Qatar: “MDG [Millennium Development Goals] help a far more variety of people and issues of people who are in harm’s way . . . [We] already have an entire resolution for R2P [Responsibility to Protect], but we just have small amendments for the topics of Millennium Development Goals that don’t equate to an entire resolution. We need to be more specific with MDG.”

After a lengthy debate regarding the tabling of topic two, the chair decided actual formal debate was necessary. The delegate from Djibouti explained, “We’ve been having a problem with redundancy in this meeting today. Speaking of redundancy, it’s been said 22 times in speeches and it has caused quite a ruckus. We really need to solve issues at hand right now.” In an attempt at progress, the delegation agreed to debate resolution GA/II/10. It would seem the General Assembly’s struggle with redundancy outweighed the issues of the world.