



McKendree Invitational

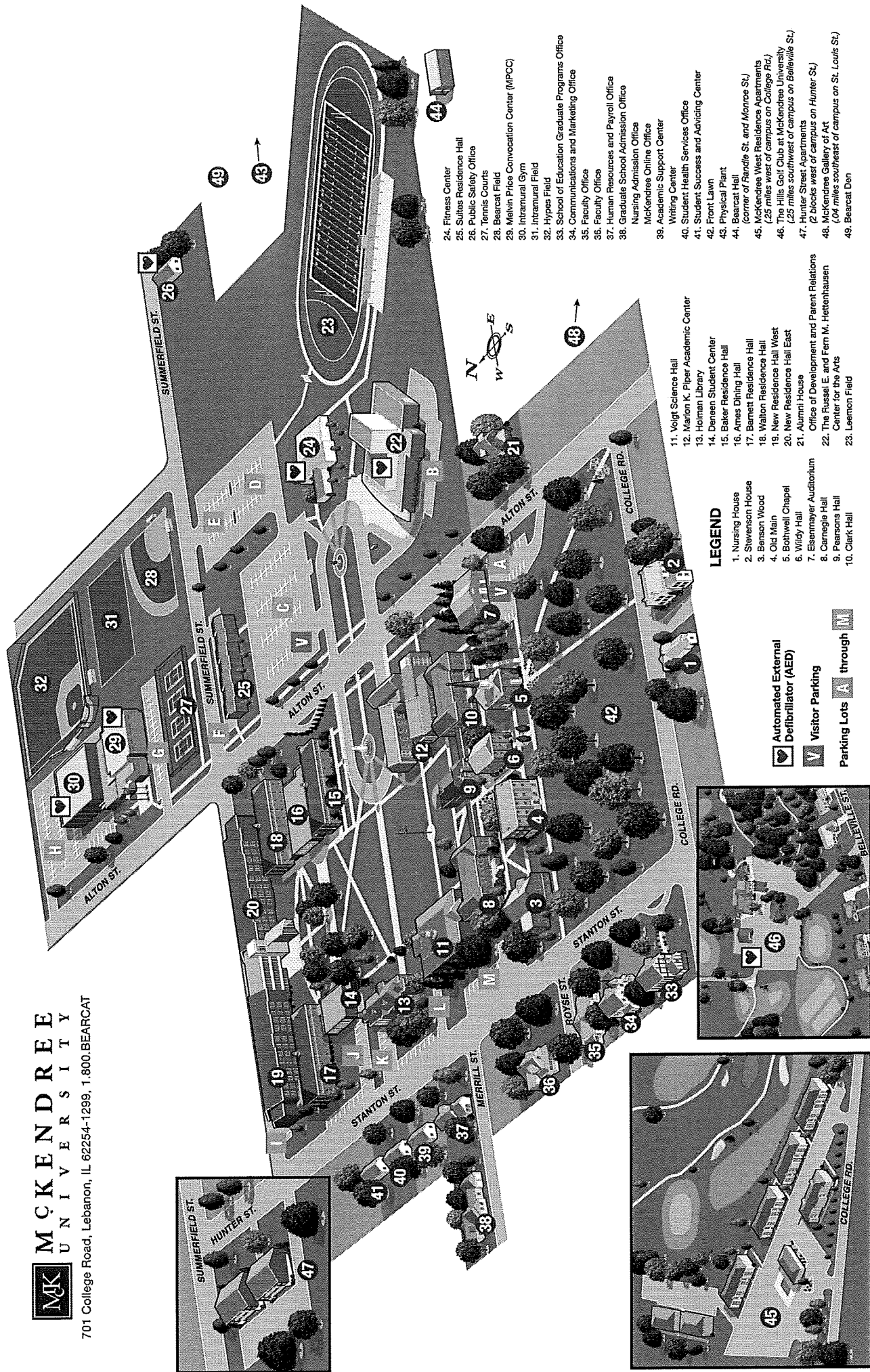
MODEL UNITED NATIONS



Third SCH

McKENDRÉE UNIVERSITY

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LEGEND

-  Automated External Defibrillator (AED)
-  Visitor Parking
-  Parking Lots A through M
- 1. Nursing House
- 2. Stevenson House
- 3. Benson Wood
- 4. Old Main
- 5. Bohwell Chapel
- 6. Wildy Hall
- 7. Eisenmayer Auditorium
- 8. Carnegie Hall
- 9. Parsons Hall
- 10. Clark Hall

- 11. Voigt Science Hall
- 12. Marion K. Piper Academic Center
- 13. Horman Library
- 14. Deneen Student Center
- 15. Baker Residence Hall
- 16. Ames Dining Hall
- 17. Barnett Residence Hall
- 18. Walton Residence Hall
- 19. New Residence Hall West
- 20. New Residence Hall East
- 21. Alumni House
- 22. The Russell E. and Fern M. Hettenhausen Office of Development and Parent Relations Center for the Arts
- 23. Leemon Field

- 24. Fitness Center
- 25. Suites Residence Hall
- 26. Public Safety Office
- 27. Tennis Courts
- 28. Bearcat Field
- 29. Melvin Price Convocation Center (MPOC)
- 30. Intramural Gym
- 31. Intramural Field
- 32. Hynes Field
- 33. School of Education Graduate Programs Office
- 34. Communications and Marketing Office
- 35. Faculty Office
- 36. Faculty Office
- 37. Human Resources and Payroll Office
- 38. Graduate School Admission Office
- 39. Nursing Admission Office
- 40. Academic Support Center
- 41. Student Health Services Office
- 42. Student Success and Advising Center
- 43. Physical Plant
- 44. Bearcat Hall
- 45. McKendree West Residence Apartments (corner of Hardie St. and Monroe St.)
- 46. The Hills Golf Club at McKendree University (2.5 miles west of campus on College Rd.)
- 47. Hunter Street Apartments (2.5 miles southwest of campus on Belleville St.)
- 48. McKendree Gallery of Art (2 blocks west of campus on Hunter St.)
- 49. Bearcat Den (.04 miles southeast of campus on St. Louis St.)



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Submitted To: 3rd SCH

Topic: Promoting Access to Family Planning

Submitted By: Italian Republic

BELIEVING that individuals across the globe should have readily access to family planning services providing contraception and other sexual health services, and

FULLY AWARE of growing demand for contraceptive services worldwide with some national governments calling for education in sexual health through said services, and

EXPRESSING CONCERN about countries restricting rights to family planning, using methods of violence to punish groups seeking methods of contraception and sexual health services, further leading to increased rates of violence against women, and

ACKNOWLEDGING the International Conference of Population and Development's calling in 1994 for all countries to provide access to safe, reliable family planning by 2015, with the General Assembly reevaluating in 2014 and declaring large gaps in the implementation of such services globally, and

EMPHASIZING the importance of not only the prevalence of family planning services, but also assurance of safe practices for all individuals, increasing focus on education and health improvement, and

- 1) CALLS FOR regular evaluation of family planning services nationally through the UN Inspection and Evaluation services to ensure they are productive and well-maintained;
- 2) ENCOURAGES nations to consider rates of STI transmission and pregnancy within minors by factoring in how family planning services may significantly reduce rates;
- 3) ADVISES collaboration between developing countries and organizations such as Every Woman Every Child to address individuals who may not be able to afford health services, keeping in mind the goal of readily accessible treatment;
- 4) SUPPORTS suggestions from members of the UN on how proper and sufficient standards of family services shall be met, with emphasis on developing strategy;
- 5) DIRECTS nations to look upon others for guidance in implementing services to contribute to a whole, collaborative effort in promoting safety of all from all social backgrounds or standpoints.



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Submitted To: 3rd Social, Cultural, Humanitarian

Topic: Promoting Access to Family Planning

Submitted By: MEXICO

Spring 2022

1 NOTING WITH GRAVE CONCERN 1.1 billion women from the ages of 15 to 49 are in need for
2 family planning, and

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4 BEARING IN MIND the disuse of contraception leads to higher fertility rates which in turn can
5 lead to overpopulation and higher levels of poverty, and

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7 REALIZING that of the 1.1 billion women previously stated, 270 million are unable to attain a
8 form of contraception in their daily lives, and

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10 RECOGNIZING that by using a form of contraceptive, women are able to avoid health risks that
11 may stem from the pregnancies, and

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13 COGNIZANT that female sterilization is the most frequently used method of contraception with
14 19.2 percent of women worldwide having had this treatment, and

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16 ALARMED that vasectomy is only put into place in 2.4 percent of relationships even though is it
17 30 times more reliable than sterilization of women, and

18
19 CONCERNED that there are countries with fewer practicing surgeons able to perform
20 vasectomies than that of surgeons who are able to perform female sterilization;

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22 1) INVITES countries to require contraceptive information education in schools so that
23 students have a basic understanding of how the different forms of contraception work
24 and the lasting effects of each one;

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26 2) WELCOMES countries to create programs in their respective colleges and universities
27 to educate young adults in the medical field on the art of vasectomies and female
28 sterilizations;

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30 3) EXPRESSES THE HOPE that improved contraceptive information awareness through
31 education will help world citizens to stay healthy and productive.
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MODEL UNITED NATIONS



Subject: Promoting Access to Family Planning

Sponsored By: Niger

Submitted To: 3rd Social

- 1 AWARE of rising birth rates in numerous countries around the world, and
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3 CONCERNED about diminishing resources including food and water due to such an
4 overwhelming growth of population that harshly affects the health and well-being of
5 individuals, and
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7 CONCERNED for families that cannot properly support their children due to a lack of
8 financial resources, and
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10 APPRECIATING current efforts to promote family planning in various countries, and
11
12 CONFIDENT that the United Nations will act in a way that remains the most beneficial to
13 citizens internationally that face many hardships;
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15 1. CALLS UPON the United Nations to provide financial assistance to all countries
16 alarmed by and hoping to lower their national birth rates so that each country may
17 provide appropriate forms of birth control;
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19 2. STRESSES the immorality of forcing children to suffer due to overwhelming family
20 sizes and lack access to vital opportunities such as education and healthcare that
21 provide paths to success later in life;
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23 3. APPLAUDS individual governing bodies that have dedicated money and efforts
24 towards providing family planning opportunities in the form of birth control to
25 citizens of their respective countries;
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27 4. EXPRESSES THE BELIEF that with the resources and help of the United Nations,
28 family planning may become a normalized aspect of healthcare internationally for
29 years to come.
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Subject: Humanitarian Aid and the Refugee crisis

Sponsored By: Islamic Republic of Iran

Submitted To: Third Committee

1 **NOTING WITH DEEP CONCERN** that Afghan refugees are not only subjected to abuse
2 and discrimination, but are also being used as scapegoats in Iran and

3 **TAKING INTO ACCOUNT** that the Iranian government has blamed things such as a water
4 shortage on the Afghan people, which emphasizes the fact that Iran is not very welcoming to
5 these refugees, and
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7 **BEARING IN MIND** that because Iran and most Western Democracies, like the US, are not
8 exactly on good terms with each other, it will take a while to find a solution to the refugee
9 crisis, and
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11 **MINDFUL** that these people mean no harm and are only trying to find somewhere that's safe
12 for them and their families and that all these people want is to just live a better life, and
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14 **HAVING RECEIVED** a stable pilot program for refugees to receive some aid such as health
15 care and education, there are still some restrictions on things such as domestic travel, and
16

17 **CONSIDERING** all the possible revenue and potentially an economic boost for Iran's
18 economy, it is in their best interest to welcome these refugees with open arms, and
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20 **EMPHASIZING** that because of few places refugees in Afghanistan can go, it is important
21 to accept them no matter what, and with that, possibly receiving hopefully more good than
22 bad from the Western countries;
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- 24 1) **CALLS UPON** more acceptance from European countries to help take refugees in;
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27 2) **FURTHER INVITES** more compliance not only from Western governments, but also
28 invites more understanding as how to come up with a solution;
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30 3) **REQUESTS** that Sanctions be lifted from Iran in which case will lead to more
31 compromise from Iran;
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33 4) **EXPRESSES ITS HOPE** that if not a permanent solution, at least a temporary
34 solution will be reached;
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36 5) **FURTHER REMINDS** that the UN lifts sanctions on Iran.
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Submitted to: 3rd SCH

Topic: Promoting Access to Family Planning

Submitted by: Norway

1 KEEPING IN MIND that Norway has a population of around 5.5 million, with nearly
2 50% being female, or about 2,750,000 people, and
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4 NOTING WITH DEEP CONCERN that the number of sex crimes in Norway
5 drastically increased from around 4,600 in 2011 to around 8,300 in 2018, and a study
6 conducted in 2014 showed that almost 1 in 10 Norwegian women have been a victim
7 of rape at least once in her lifetime, and
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9 ALARMED BY the results from surveys, conducted by MMI for Amnesty
10 International and Norstat for the Norwegian broadcasting company NRK, that
11 revealed that only 44% of students in the 18-29 age group and 42% of students in the
12 17-19 age group had received education regarding the right to bodily integrity and
13 freedom from sexual violence, and
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15 RECOGNIZING that family planning can save millions of infant lives annually by
16 reducing the number of high-risk births and lead to significant improvements in infant
17 nutrition, as well as protect women from health risks that may occur before, during, or
18 following childbirth;
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20 SUPPORTS the availability and distribution of emergency contraception (EC)
21 at pharmacies, schools, family planning clinics, gas stations, youth health
22 services, supermarkets, etc. in Norway, along with the free-of-charge LNG EC
23 for young people and vulnerable groups, including rape victims;
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25 ENCOURAGES ensuring that those who are seeking contraception methods
26 are able to access any and all available methods, as well as the safe locations, in
27 which they are being distributed;
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29 TRUSTS that those who are distributing emergency contraception are properly
30 informing and supporting the ones who are receiving them;
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32 RECOMMENDS providing free sex-education to Norwegian citizens,
33 especially those who are more likely to use means of birth control,
34 such as contraceptives, IUDs, etc., since not all people are able to receive the
35 mandatory sex education in school;
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37 FURTHER RECOMMENDS spreading the word to communities, nationally

38 and internationally, in regard to the need for support of Norway's commitment
39 to family planning and the use of birth control methods.



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Subject: Promoting Access to Family Planning

Sponsored By: Republic of Iraq

Submitted To: 3rd SCH

1 AWARE that the use of family planning helps women avoid unwanted pregnancies and high risk
2 pregnancies, prevents sexually transmitted infections (including HIV/AIDS), and promotes economic
3 and social empowerment of women by giving them education and the ability to make decisions, and
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5 TAKING INTO ACCOUNT that 232 million women around the world who are in the reproductive
6 age group (12-49 years old) and need contraceptives, but do not have access to family planning, and
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8 MINDFUL that even if women have access to family planning services and methods, some still may
9 not use them due to their social, cultural or religious beliefs, and
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11 NOTING WITH GRAVE CONCERN that some women cannot use family planning because of their
12 financial and/or health care system restraints, and also due to the pressure and influence from male
13 partners or from other people, and
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15 EMPHASIZING that family planning can reduce maternal mortality levels up to 60%, lower infant
16 mortality and reduce safe and unsafe abortion rates, and
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18 RECOGNIZING the work of the "Title X Family Planning Program" for its work and dedication to
19 promote access to family planning by promoting planned parenthood education and providing
20 affordable contraceptives for four million people;
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22 1) CONSIDERS the discussion for research and more in-depth studying about the
23 constraints, policies and systems (social, cultural, economic) that limit women to use
24 available family planning;
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26 2) APPEALS to the idea that women and the youth should have education on the
27 benefits of planned parenthood, and the knowledge about the safety of family
28 planning methods should be increased by having specific classes as well as
29 counseling where the topic can be freely discussed;
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31 3) SUGGESTS that a significant part of healthcare system's budget should go towards
32 providing accessible and affordable contraceptives for women;
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34 4) STRESSES the need to take action to help women who want to use contraceptives but
35 are unable to do so, due to the abuse from their partners, family members or relatives;
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37 5) URGES the nation states to set a collective goal towards wanting a higher percentage
38 each year for the access to family planning around the world.
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Subject: Promoting Access to Family Planning

Sponsored By: The Federal Republic of Nigeria

Submitted To: 3rd Social

1 DEEPLY CONCERNED that many young women would like to limit pregnancy but are not using an
2 effective modern method of contraception owing to limited access to family planning services according
3 to a questionnaire from the World Health Organization (WHO) and that addressing reproductive health
4 and Human Immunodeficiency virus infection (HIV) together would better serve the needs of women in
5 a more comprehensive, cost-effective and efficient manner, and
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7 REAFFIRMS THE NEED for governments to make sure that all women and men have comprehensive
8 information about, and access to, the widest possible range of safe, effective, and affordable modern
9 methods of family planning, and contraceptives so that they are able to exercise free and informed
10 reproductive choices, and
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12 OBSERVING that the amount of unplanned pregnancy in women ages 15-45 jumps from 7.9% of
13 women worldwide to over 50% of women in economically developing nations, and that the BioMed
14 Central (BMC) health services research took a survey of 176 women in Nigeria with over 90 of those
15 women stating they were not using contraceptives in two years spanning 2017-2018, when asked why,
16 the overwhelming majority of women came back with the same answers stating it's due to a lack of
17 access to family planning options, and
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19 STRESSES that governments should ensure that family planning programs have a sufficient and
20 continuous supply of modern contraceptives along with information about Sexually transmitted diseases
21 (STD) due to the WHO stating there are over 1 million new STD infections everyday;
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- 23 1) URGES governments to protect and promote human rights and fundamental freedoms regardless
24 of age and marital status, by eliminating all forms of discrimination against women, by working
25 more effectively to achieve equality between women and men in all areas of family
26 responsibility and by protecting the rights of adolescents to have control over and decide freely
27 on matters related to their sexuality, including sexual and reproductive health;
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- 29 2) IMPLORES governments international cooperation, in order to prioritize universal access to
30 sexual and reproductive information and health-care services, including family planning,
31 prenatal care, safe delivery, post-natal care, breastfeeding, health care, and infant and women's
32 health care;
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- 34 3) CALLS UPON governments and UN agencies to pay particular attention to adolescents and
35 youth ensuring universal access to family planning options, HIV prevention, treatment, and care
36 free of stigma and discrimination especially for adolescents and youth as they transition into
37 adulthood by having a fund set aside for future use and distribution wherever seen fit to allow
38 for free and easy access to family planning options and STD prevention to whoever and
39 wherever they may be.
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Submitted To: 3rd SCH

Topic: Child Labor

Submitted By: Republic of Zimbabwe

NOTING that according to the International Labour Organization (ILO), child labor is defined as “work that deprives children of their childhood, their potential, and their dignity, and that is harmful to their physical and mental development”, and

AWARE that in 2020 an estimated 160 million children around the world were subjected to the dangers of child labor, amounting to nearly 1 out of 10 children in the world being victims of child labor, according to the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), and

UNDERSTANDING that as stated by the UNICEF children forced into child labor are often subjected to violence, various forms of abuse, and some children are even demanded to break the law, with the threat of sexual exploitation looming over girls while boys are forced to face armed forces or groups, and

ACKNOWLEDGING that COVID-19 has significantly worsened the number of children working in child labor, along with influencing the dangers of child labor around the world, and

KNOWING that with the right help from different countries, joint and decisive action can be used to help reverse this damage (ILO);

- 1) UNDERSTANDS that support from other nations around the world is critical in the development of eradicating child labor throughout the world;
- 2) CALLS for further counter-child-labor efforts by willing and able member nations that successfully eliminate originations that exploit minors and benefit from child labor;
- 3) URGES the UN to provide easier access to free, public education as well as work to reduce the high amounts of people living in extreme poverty by expanding financial services for those in need;
 - a) RECOMMENDS providing more available job options for adults to limit the number of parents that need their children to work in child labor for money;
- 4) REQUESTS that the UN help to provide more support groups such as food banks, shelters, and soup kitchens, in the areas struggling with the most child labor.



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Submitted To: 3rd SCH

Topic: Child Labor

Submitted By: Islamic Republic of Pakistan

AWARE of the estimated 160 million child laborers currently employed across the globe, with 79 million victims working in “hazardous jobs”, according to WorldVision, and

CONCERNED that several forms of child labor, including domestic servitude, agricultural servitude, and commercial sexual exploitation continue to thrive throughout the world, and

MINDFUL that child labor is most prevalent in the agricultural sector, accounting for around 70% (112 million) of all child labor, and

EXPRESSING DEEP CONCERN about the increase of child laborers resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic causing a decrease in employment and income, as well as the projected rise of child laborers increasing by 9 million children by the end of 2022, and

CONSIDERING that 28% of children aged 5 to 11 years and 35% of children aged 12 to 14 years in child labor are not in school according to the United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF), and the COVID-19 pandemic’s effect on school closures and lockdowns;

- 1) URGES governments and international banking organizations to prioritize investing in initiatives that can take children from the workforce and place them back into school;
- 2) EXPRESSES ITS APPRECIATION of the International Labor Organization’s (ILO) International Program on the Elimination of Child Labor (IPEC), as the program actively works to combat child labor with its expanded resources and aid;
- 3) INVITES member nations to develop updated legislation focused on deterring the use of child labor, such as the laws implemented by the International Labor Organization (ILO), and advises companies against the outsourcing of production to nations containing child labor;
- 4) stronger action be taken in rural parts of the world where child labor runs unchecked, such as stronger availability to a proper education and improved equipment and materials to make jobs safer and less laborious;
 - a) RECOMMENDS the introduction of committees/organizations that provide health and nutrition programs for children removed from child labor.



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Submitted To: 3rd SCH

Topic: Child Labor

Submitted By: State of Libya

CONCERNED that UNICEF reported in 2021 alone an increase of 8.4 million children in child labor in the last four years and a 6.5 million increase in the number of children in hazardous work throughout the world, and

AWARE that child labor, by definition, the employment of a child that deprives them of their childhood, their potential, and dignity, and that it is harmful to their physical or mental development, and

RECALLING that recent estimates from the International Labour Organization (ILO) indicate that Africa has the largest number of child laborers, with 72.1 million African children estimated to be in child labor, and

NOTING WITH GREAT CONCERN that children provide a cheap labor source that allows corporations to make more money, and

EXPRESSING DEEP CONCERN THAT on average, 22,000 child laborers die each year due to the vigorous jobs and harmful working conditions in which they are exposed to, and

- 1) EMPHASIZES the importance of countries following the labor laws put into place to protect children, and giving those who disobey these laws harsh punishments;
- 2) REQUESTS that these harsh punishments implemented from the UN be limitations on trade, burdensome fines, and/or probationary action being taken;
- 3) RECOMMENDS that the UN provide more funding towards finding ways to completely rid the world of torment that is child labor.



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Submitted To: 3rd SCII

Topic: Child Labor

Submitted By: Federal Republic of Somalia

RECALLING in 2020 minimal advancements in efforts to eliminate the worst forms of child labor were performed, 35 labor inspectors announced there was a delayed advancement in eliminating child labor describing federal security forces still recruiting and using children in armed conflict, and

NOTING that in 2018 the United Nations documented more cases of children recruited and being used as soldiers in Somalia than in any other countries; children, as young as 9 years, are able to enlist in armed forces and are often kidnapped, and

COGNIZANT that the labor code stipulates 15 years old as the minimum working age, according to UNICEF, 49% of children work, furthermore, child trafficking and sexual exploitation are not prohibited under national law, and

AWARE the situation is becoming worse due to the militia transforming schools into recruitment centers, authorities continue to act unlawfully by detaining young boys with ties to Al- Shabab, a militant group with links to al-Qaeda, and putting them at high risk of abuse and,

ALARMED that Al-Shabab has threatened and abducted civilians in the region to force communities to hand over their children for indoctrination and military training, regions have signed with the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Child in armed conflict which states, "Should not, under any circumstances, recruit or use in hostilities persons under the age of 18 years and,

CONSCIOUS of the United Nations Convention views on the Rights of Child Optional Protocol on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution, and Child Pornography as well the United Nations Optional Protocol on Armed Conflict;

- 1) DEMANDS to ensure that criminal law enforcement official receive sufficient training and resources to investigate, prosecute, and convict violators of the worst forms of child labor such as child soldiers;
- 2) SUPPORTS criminally prohibiting child trafficking for the purpose of labor and sexual exploitation on top of criminally prohibiting using, procuring, and offering a child for prostitution, pornography and stringent to deter violations;
- 3) CALLS UPON to expedite the implementation of the 2012 action plans on ending and preventing the recruitment, use, killing, and maiming of children including at the Federal Member States level.



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MODEL UNITED NATIONS



Subject:

Sponsored By: Angola

Submitted To: 3rd Social

1 **Concerned** about the correlation between poor, war torn countries and countries with child
2 labour,

3 **Realizing** that children forced into child labor have usually lost their parents or have parents
4 who cannot get high enough paying jobs because of a lack of education,

5 **Noting Further** that working a job as a child means that they cannot get an education,
6 furthering the cycle of child labour,

7 **Stressing** that most of the countries that utilize child labour are trying to eliminate it, but do
8 not have the sufficient funds,

9 **Noting With Satisfaction** that if child labour were to be eliminated it has been estimated that it
10 would cost 760 billion dollars but its elimination would create about 7 times that,

11 **Hoping** that countries who resist ending child labour for the ethics benefits will help for the
12 monetary benefits instead;

13 1. **Proposes** asking non-profit organizations who wish to help poorer countries to shift
14 some of their funds to education to help children get education;

15 2. **Recommends** for countries who utilize child labor to offer shortened school hours so
16 children who cannot get out of the labor cycle can still get educated;

17 3. **Encourages** countries who do not have funds to end child labor to shift children's
18 jobs to less dangerous ones, such as taking a mining job and changing it to a floor
19 worker job;

20 4. **Asks** countries able who were involved in a conflict with a country with child labor to
21 take any children made orphans by the conflict;

22 5. **Implores** countries utilizing child labor to follow Angoras lead and pass legislation to
23 restrict child labor use as much as possible;

24 6. **Hopes** that countries using child labor switch to unskilled adult that could do the same
25 job.



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Subject: Child Labor
Sponsored By: Benin
Submitted To: 3rd SCH

- 1 AWARE of the suffering child labor creates for children and families worldwide, and
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- 3 EXPRESSING DEEP CONCERN for the children receiving little to no education due to
- 4 child labor, and
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- 6 ALARMED by the fact that 1 in 10 million children worldwide undergo the abuse of child
- 7 labor, and 1 in 3 children in child labor are out of school, and
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- 9 CONCERNED for the poor development of mental and physical health in children due to
- 10 difficult and abusive work, and
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- 12 APPRECIATING efforts by countries worldwide to demolish child labor and abuse, and
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- 14 CONFIDENT that the United Nations will foresee the best efforts to help end the suffering
- 15 of children undergoing difficult work around the world;
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- 17 1. REQUESTS that the United Nations provides financial relief to the families of
- 18 children undergoing child labor, in the hopes to eliminate the monetary struggle by the
- 19 families;
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- 21 2. STRESSES the importance of education for children worldwide that child labor
- 22 permits children from pursuing;
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- 24 3. EXPRESSES THE HOPE that the United Nations will recognize the problem of
- 25 child workforce and will create a conclusion to limit the issue;
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- 27 4. APPLAUDS governing bodies that have undergone illegalization and elimination of
- 28 child labor and abuse throughout their country by putting laws into place to restrict
- 29 labor;
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- 31 5. REQUESTS that the legal age for labor of children in the world be brought up to 14
- 32 years old.
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Subject: Child Labor

Sponsored By: The U.K.

Submitted To: 3rd SCH

1 Recognizing the over 160 million children ages 5 to 17 who are currently either
2 voluntarily, or in voluntarily, around the world,

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4 Enraged at the fact that many of these minors are forced into these factories and
5 improper working conditions, some do voluntarily participate in this due to their
6 families financial conditions and morals,

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9 Emphasizing that while immoral in most situations, the current declining state of the
10 un's budget and increasing debt and unemployment rates are staggering,

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12 Alarmed at this some businesses and corporate entities have lowered their age
13 requirements for workers, with the inclusion of different wavers and permissions;

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15 Understanding that the current pandemic has left many jobs and workplaces needing
16 more employees due to their recent unemployment complications, introducing the fact
17 that;

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20 1.) Recommending slightly lowered age regulations for these laws so that the
21 highly unemployed workplaces may have fresh new workers to keep their
22 businesses running and profitable;
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24 2.) Proposing that the UN receive funding from the general assembly to build
25 foundations helping with the crisis by accomplishing workplace censuses to
26 survey ages of employees and uphold restrictions.
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28 3.) Instituting mandatory work permits, wavers, and permissions accommodated
29 for by parents and or guardians along with school administrators as the younger
30 workers will need to still focus on their academics,
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33 4.) Reiterating the importance of young people's rights in society and upholding
34 those values.
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Subject: Child Labor
Sponsored By: United Arab Emirates
Submitted To: 3rd Social
Date of Conference: Spring 2022

1 **ALARMED BY** the fact that more than 13.4 million children in the United Arab
2 Emirates are child laborers, and

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4 **CONCERNED** by the fact that this number could be much larger due to the unknown
5 number of children working informally, and

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7 **HAVING CONSIDERED** that gender equality will have a major impact of the
8 females working and being able to enroll in getting a proper education, and

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10 **DEEPLY DISTURBED BY** knowing that the largest field of work for these children
11 is child trafficking, and

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13 **TAKING NOTE OF** the strenuous efforts that have been made by many Arab states;

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15 1) **ENCOURAGES** countries that have signed these trafficking agreements to
16 provide the necessary training on recognizing, caring for, and raising
17 awareness on trafficking, and
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19 2) **DRAWS ATTENTION TO** the efforts made my the United Arab Emirates to
20 return the children that were stolen from their homes back to their families, but
21 the physical and emotional damage caused by the traumatic events these
22 children went through is irreversible, and
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24 3) **EXPRESSES ITS HOPE** that more countries follow the lead of the Unites
25 Arab Emirates to make child labor illegal by creating laws like having a
26 minimum age limit for workers, and
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28 4) **EMPHASIZES** the importance of making sure that fewer children ever have to
29 undergo child trafficking and the mental, physical, and sexual abuse that goes
30 along with it, as well as the trauma the kids that make it out will have to live
31 with for the rest of their lives.



Subject: Child Labor Spring

Sponsored By: Qatar

Submitted To: 3rd Social

1 **Acknowledging** that many children are working in miserable conditions, underfed, have no
2 stable living condition, have lack of mandated leave, have their health put into jeopardy, often
3 receive no education, and
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5 **Noting with appreciation** that there have been many laws passed to prohibit child labor for
6 those who have citizenship in many countries, however, foreign children are often still
7 vulnerable, and
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9 **Taking into account** that there are little data and records in poorer countries, therefore it is
10 difficult to know how much progress is being made to help children as a whole around the
11 world, and
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13 **Expressing deep concern** that the lack of labor rights has created widespread poverty,
14 especially among migrants, which has led to hundreds of thousands of labor camps, where
15 diseases and poverty are rampant, and
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17 **Having considered** that many people migrate because they feel they have no choice and lack
18 stable job opportunities in their home countries and many believe they can earn more money
19 working abroad, and
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- 21 1) **Declares** that protective laws involving age restrictions and salary must be passed for
22 not just native children, but for the rights of migrants and their children;
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- 24 2) **Directs** the improvement of policies and laws to develop more just and appropriate
25 laws for these people, especially working conditions of labor camps;
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- 27 3) **Implores** that all nations come together to relook at the impact that labor camps have
28 on children-especially on their education and create more accessible education
29 systems;
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- 31 4) **Expresses the belief** that economies can still get by even without the use of children
32 for labor and at the very least, increase minimum minor salary;
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- 34 5) **Expresses in hope** that human rights and dignity will come before money and desire
35 for wealth in all aspects of decision making.
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MODEL UNITED NATIONS



B10

Subject: Child Labor

Sponsored By: Republic of Estonia

Submitted To: 3rd Social

1 CONSCIOUS that the definition of child labour, according to the International Organization
2 of Labour (ILO), is, "Work that deprives children of their childhood, their potential and their
3 dignity, and that is harmful to physical and mental development," and
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5 DEVOTING ATTENTION to the demographic that 160 million boys and girls are forced into child
6 labor, two-thirds of which go unpaid for their services, and one third are out of school, and
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8 COGNIZANT that while nations made tremendous efforts to erradicate child labor between
9 2000 and 2012, cutting the overall number from 250 to 168 million child laborers, significant
10 progress has slowed and reduction is occurring at a miniscule one-third of the original pace,
11 causing target 8.7 of the SDGs, promising to cease child labor by 2025, to be unfeasible, and
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13 STRESSING the fact that while many factors come into play when considering the causes of
14 child labor, several dominant facets that are most achievable to target and correct are an absence
15 of crucial social programs and regulations such as work permits and birth registration, and the
16 non-attendance of school and and overall lack of enforced compulsory education, and
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18 EMPHASIZING that because education is inextricably linked to child labor, making school age
19 education more accessible, especially in developing nations where child labor is escalated, will
20 increase school attendance and doubtlessly decrease child labor and concievably reduce poverty;
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- 22 1) STRONGLY ADVISES that school age education fees be significantly reduced or
23 abolished and compulsory education be greater enforced in nations that are sufficient in
24 doing so in order to increase education and attendance predominantly in impoverished
25 developing nations, all backed and funded by said nation and pertaining UN agencies;
26
- 27 2) RECOMMENDS that member nations implement or increase the efficiency of specific
28 social programs designed at targeting illicit child labour, and at the minimum, provide
29 efforts to escalate access and usage of birth registration and work permits to account for
30 all children and provide basic framework and regulations that can be enforced;
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- 32 3) ENDORSES the notion of public awareness and the spread of information through
33 public classes, advertisements, and social media so civilians can notice child labor in its
34 many forms and get involved in the international movement;
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- 36 4) SUGGESTS that the United Nations Third Committee and other pertaining UN
37 committees and agencies evaluate the commitment and pace of each member nation in
38 eliminating child labor, and to focus more extensivley on that nations underperforming;
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- 40 5) EXPRESSES ITS APPRECIATION to the member nations that are taking the necessary
41 strides to internationally eliminate child labor.



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MODEL UNITED NATIONS



Subject: Child Labor
Sponsored By: The Arab Republic of Egypt
Submitted To: 3rd SCH

1 ACKNOWLEDGING that in 2020 there were 63 million girls and 97 million boys in child
2 labor worldwide counting to a total of 160 million kids, this doesn't even include the
3 unaccounted or kids that aren't noticed, but this number has been increasing with time, and

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5 ALARMED BY the fact that one in three kids are not in school worldwide, which leaves
6 them with limited options like hard labor, being forced into labor by living situation or family,
7 or sex work, but overall boys are more likely to go into labor in a majority of situations, and

8
9 CONCERNED that 48% of all kids in labor range from the age of five through eleven years
10 old, their jobs range from harazordous work, sex work and pornography, drug production and
11 trafficking, constructing, manufacturing, and many other jobs, and

12 DEFINING that child labor is work carried out to the detriment and endangerment of a child,
13 in violation of international law and national legislation. It deprives children of schooling or
14 requires them to assume the dual burden of schooling and work, and

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16 RECOGNIZING that over 150 billion US dollars are typically made illegally profitting off of
17 child labor year around from many different things ranging from prositution to manufacturing
18 and field work;

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20 1) SUGGESTING that nations put more funding and help support International Labor
21 Organization (ILO) which is a specialized agency of the UN that helps raise
22 awareness of labor, educate children, reduce poverty levels, help enforce the minimum
23 requirements, and help to combat the overall issue;
- 24 2) ENCOURAGING nations to create and support projects like the Clear Cotton Project
25 which is working to end child labor in the cotton industry by strengthening and
26 enforcing the laws and regulations for the industry and supporting governments and
27 service providers;
- 28 3) CALLING for acknowledgement of more brands and companies that do not support
29 child labor and putting harsher taxes or taxing the companies that do use child labor to
30 detreer people from buying them and companies from using labor.
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McKendree Invitational

MODEL UNITED NATIONS



B12

Subject: Child Labor
Sponsored By: Republic of Korea
Submitted To: 3rd Social

1 EXPRESSING DEEP CONCERN that the UN has reported that 160 million children are
2 involved in paid or unpaid child labor around the world, and

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4 DEFINES child labor with the UN definition of: work that deprives children of their
5 childhood and their dignity, health, safety, morals, or right to an education, and notes that
6 this resolution also defines this as child labor, and

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8 EMPHASIZES the idea that COVID-19 has had an impact on child labor cases because
9 child labor cases have increased by 8.4 million since outbreak of the virus and more cases
10 can occur without immediate action, and

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12 DRAWS ATTENTION TO the 84 million, or 56 percent, of child labor cases not taking
13 place in lower income nations; but instead middle or even high income nations that have
14 little to no restrictions on child labor, allowing children to work instead of attending school,
15 and

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17 NOTING that the UN targets to end all forms of child labor by 2025 as one of the 17
18 Sustainable Development goals agreed upon in 2015;

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20 1) ENCOURAGES nations to implement a worker's permit that can be issued to
21 children ages 14-17, requiring the guardian's permission for their child to join the
22 workforce before adulthood;

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24 2) WELCOMES nations to create and strictly enforce requirements restricting the jobs
25 children are allowed to perform in order to make working environments safer and
26 more adequate for minors to work;

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28 3) INVITES nations to create relief packages for low income families and citizens in
29 order to limit the stress for children to be forced into unsafe and unhealthy working
30 conditions;

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32 4) SUGGESTS nations to inform their citizens about child labor and encourage
33 employers to find ways to eliminate dangerous working conditions for all
34 employees, or at the very least, employ adults to work these dangerous jobs;

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36 5) EXPRESSES ITS APPRECIATION towards nations who have implemented and
37 enforced laws to reduce and eliminate child labor.



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MODEL UNITED NATIONS



Submitted To: 3rd SCH

Topic: Child Labor

Submitted By: Argentina

1 DEEPLY DISTURBED that children in Argentina may be subjected to some of the worst
2 forms of child labor, including in commercial sexual exploitation, sometimes as a result
3 of human trafficking, and in illicit activities, such as the transport, sale, and distribution
5 of drugs, and

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6 NOTING WITH GREAT CONCERN that children also engage in dangerous and
7 hazardous tasks in the agriculture, industry, and service sectors, and

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9 TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION that more than 19% of children ages five to fifteen
10 enter the labor system to provide for their families due to cruel conditions and high
11 poverty levels;

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13 1) NOTES that Argentina made significant advancement in efforts to eliminate
14 the worst forms of child labor in 2021, and has continued these efforts into 2022;

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16 2) STRESSES that research has identified the need for the government to increase
17 funding for shelters and assistance to girl victims of human trafficking and
18 commercial sexual exploitation;

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20 3) ENCOURAGES STRONGLY to improve government coordination in the
21 provision of services to victims of all forms of child labor, including for children
22 subjected to commercial sexual exploitation;

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24 4) SUGGESTS for there to be an increase the number of labor inspectors
25 responsible for enforcing laws on child labor to meet the ILO's technical advice.



McKendree Invitational

MODEL UNITED NATIONS



Submitted To: 3rd SCH

Topic: Minimum Standards for Healthcare Mandates

Submitted By: Republic of Peru

RECALLING that the Universal Declaration of Human Rights acknowledges health as a human right: "Everyone has the right to a standard of living adequate for the health and well-being of himself and of his family, including food, clothing, housing and medical care and necessary social services, and the right to security in the event of unemployment, sickness, disability, widowhood, old age or other lack of livelihood in circumstances beyond his control," and

BEARING IN MIND that the structure of the many nations healthcare system has been decentralized by public and private organizations, causing issues with communication leading to increased cost of medications and slowed the rate at which patients are getting treated, and

NOTING that underdeveloped nation's more rural areas suffer from maldistribution, limited access to any means of healthcare, and severe lack of funding, and

RECOGNIZING that whether in more urban or rural areas of nations, both experience a lack of high-quality end healthcare, especially those in the poorer sector of these nations, and

EMPHASIZING that due to the lack of adequate funding, equipment and medicine, half of South American patients have limited to no access to any sort of treatments and 66% of patients are paying completely out of pocket, and

- 1.) URGES members to develop a fundamental list of minimum healthcare needs that should be provided to all peoples as a human right;
- 2.) CONSIDERING health care is a human right, the International Health Regulations of 2005 should be rewritten and updated to be applied not just to public health risks related to communicable diseases, biological health risks, and chemical/ nuclear health risks, but to all healthcare needs established as a fundamental right;
- 3.) INVITES member nations to provide financial support to WHO to develop and apply a sustainable update to the IHR (2005).



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MODEL UNITED NATIONS



Submitted To: 3rd SCH

Topic: Medical Standards & Health Mandates

Submitted By: Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

NOTING that with the ever-increasing threat of Covid-19 in many regions in the world, many areas have fallen into crises involving the spread of the virus, and

AWARE that while not all nations have the capabilities and the resources to mandate mask-wearing and vaccinations, the health and welfare of the citizens should be of the utmost concern to those in power, and

ALARMED with the rising numbers and statistics of those who are sick, with new variants of the virus and increased contagiousness of the virus, world leaders need to be more concerned than ever with staying safe, and

CONCERNED for the future health and safety of the people of the world, and cautious with the reintegration of everyday activities and processes into everyday life, and

BEARING IN MIND that while compliance with mask mandates may be unpopular with other nations and their citizens, there should be a universal agreement that the safety of a nation's citizens is more important than the politicization and intolerance of mask mandates, and

RECOGNIZES that not all people have similar health needs and many people need different kinds of treatment, and is open to aid those in need.

1) CALLS FOR nations across the world to enforce stricter health mandates and higher standards of care for those in need;

a) REQUIRES masks to be worn when in crowded public areas;

b) ENFORCES social distancing protocol;

2) GUARANTEES that all citizens needs will be met with quality care when in times of able means;

3) PROVIDES for those in need of medical care.



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Submitted To: 3rd SCH

Topic: Minimum Standards for Healthcare Mandates

Submitted By: Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia

ACKNOWLEDGING that many East African countries have little funding in place to increase the standard of public health, these health systems struggle to meet the demand for quality healthcare and the frequent need to respond to drought, conflict or disease outbreaks, and

RECOGNIZING that, currently, East African countries are plagued with issues of maternal and pediatric health, and that since 2000, Ethiopia has reduced maternal and child mortality by half, but a maternal mortality rate of 412 per 100,000 live births and child mortality rate of 67 per 1,000 are still too high, and

BEARING IN MIND the fact that due to unrelated problems and ongoing conflicts in these affected regions, East African governments do not have the resources available to divert to the safety and promotion of public health, and

CONSIDERING THE FACT THAT there are healthcare resources in Africa, such as the African Health Care Organization, and that when funding is put to these organizations, more hospitals and resources are accessible to African people, and

1) ENCOURAGES religious organizations to collaborate with the government in the promoting of public health;

2) SUPPORTS increasing funding for healthcare organizations to promote the use of preventative measures in terms of sickness;

3) ACCEPTS monetary aid from other countries and provides resources to parliament to properly to ensure its use to increase health standards;

4) SPREADS information on public health by implementing proper health precautions into education;

5) ALLOWS for the increase of health posts across East Africa that provide support for those going through health crises.



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MODEL UNITED NATIONS



Submitted To: 3rd SCII

Topic: Minimum Standards for Healthcare Mandates

Submitted By: Australia

HAVING CONSIDERED that the use of healthcare allows one to receive medical treatment, unfortunately, many don't have the option of affording such commodity alongside the prevalent fees that are added towards it, and with this, it puts the health of vulnerable people at risk, and

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT how over 100 million people, universally, are pushed into poverty due to out-of-pocket expenses and at least half of the population of the world does not receive nor can afford healthcare, and

RECOGNIZING that the cycle of poverty can be broken through the instillment of free healthcare, such as Medicare, to ensure the absence of deductibles and ultimately provide a safety net for those in need, and

EMPHASIZING that it is entirely possible to achieve a greater quality of life by permeating through deterrents that may seem insurmountable;

- 1) CALLS UPON leaders to draft and outline legislation that coincides with the Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care (ACSQHC) which is agreeable upon the common laws of the National Healthcare Agreement of the COAG and others;
- 2) REPEATS the need of funding for systems, such as Medicare, by creating a Non-Government Organization to assist national policy formation within human development alongside being able to stay within close contact with other communities and projects;
- 3) MINDFUL that the re-allocation of money and taxes from defensive and military aid can be used for the betterment of the people and more towards the foundation of healthcare;
- 4) URGES countries to follow along the path of universal and free healthcare as it will provide more positives than negatives, such as increased life expectancy, employment, and relations.



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MODEL UNITED NATIONS



Subject: Minimum Standards for Healthcare Mandates

Sponsored By: Republic of Turkey

Submitted To: 3rd SCH

ACKNOWLEDGES- It has come up that not every Turkish child has the right and ability to stay a child, but in poor rural areas, are forced to have to do manual labor starting from the age of 13.

DRAWS ATTENTION- To the labor laws in rural areas of Turkey and how they are affecting the potential and future lives of children that are forced to work because of the money situation that the household may be in.

MINDFUL - I am mindful that sometimes the families of the children do not have enough money to support their families so they have to put children out to work, while risking their education and ability to have a future.

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT - I am taking into consideration that the family may not be financially stable, and the only way to support themselves and their family is to have the children help and work the fields.

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ENCOURAGE - I do encourage and believe that there are better ways to deal with the risk of poverty and food shortage. I encourage the Turkish government to continue to pursue and pioneer new ways to help the children that are being forced into labor just to survive.

2) URGES - I severely urge the people of Turkey and the government, as well as the United Nations to recognize the severeness of the situation of child labor, and how it can and will effect the future generations of the state.

3) CALLS UPON - I call upon our most equipped allies that are able to spare resources such as food, water, jobs, and technology so that the future generations of the country may not have to live in poverty and in sorrow, but may grow up in a well rounded society that makes sure nobody has to go through that.

4) REITERATING - I am slowly reiterating the idea that child labor is not okay and should not be allowed, especially not in a developed society where there are plenty of opportunities and luxury that is available.



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MODEL UNITED NATIONS



Subject: International Cooperation on Drug Control

Sponsored By: Syria

Submitted To: Third Committee

- 1 • AWARE that every year around 750,000 deaths are recorded each year to illicit
2 drug use, and
- 3 • TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THAT more than 128,000 thousand people died to
4 drug overdoses globally in 2019, and
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- 6 • MINDFUL that the illegal drug, 'Captagon' has been Syria's main export since
7 the economy has been burdened by civil- war, and
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- 9 • KEEPING MIND that the production of 'Captagon' brings in multi billions of
10 revenue every year due to the manufacturing plants and packaging plants that
11 produce it, and
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- 13 • OBSERVING that the Syrian Government stands against the distribution of
14 illicit drugs although its shattered economy relies on it, and
- 15
- 16 • BEARING IN MIND that it is believed the Syrian government profits off the
17 drug trafficking industry and looks the other way when facing drug cartels and
18 traffickers;
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- 20 1. URGES nations of the UN to increase funding to combat drug-smuggling across
21 the borders of their countries;
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- 23 2. CALLS UPON nations to act such as the Syrian Liberation's Front to crack
24 down upon drug-trade and manufacturing in their regions to prevent the harm
25 of their citizens;
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- 27 3. REQUESTS aid to Syria to fight against its own drug trafficking and production
28 of drugs such as 'Captagon';
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- 30 4. ENDORSES the cooperation of neighboring countries to confront
31 drug-smuggling such as Syria's neighboring countries Saudi Arabia, Turkey, and
32 Italy;
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- 34 5. RECOMMENDS the prevention of recreational use of certain drugs to prevent
35 further injuries and overdoses.
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MODEL UNITED NATIONS



Subject: International Cooperation on Drug Control

Sponsored By: Cuba

Submitted To: 3rd SCH

- 1 • **AWARE** that in 2019 70,360 people with that number increasing year by year.
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- 3 • **ANXIOUS** that more and more countries including the United States and many
- 4 Western European countries have begun to decriminalize drugs.
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- 6 • **HAVING REVIEWED** UNODC's World Drug Report 2021, stating that cannabis
- 7 has nearly quadrupled in its potency in many regions of the world in the past couple of
- 8 decades.
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- 10 • **RECOGNIZING** that the perception of the harmfulness of drugs has been linked to
- 11 higher rates of drug use, abuse, and overdoses. The unrealistic gap between the
- 12 expected results of drugs and the real effects is harmful and needs to be bridged
- 13 through educating young people and promoting public health.
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- 15 • **EMPHASIZING** how spreading evidence, raising awareness, and true stories would
- 16 not only save the lives of drug users but better the youth, the community, and civil
- 17 society as a whole.
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- 19 • **EXPRESSING DEEP CONCERN** for the people of the United States and other
- 20 countries that do not have proper laws and punishments for drug use. As many reports
- 21 have shown, if young people believe that drugs are apart of life instead of criminal
- 22 activity they are likely to continue to use and abuse them, and
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- 24 • **CONSIDERING** that tens of countries have begun to decriminalize marijuana and
- 25 other drug cases
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- 27 1. **CALLS UPON** member states to reinforce the need for universally stricter
- 28 restrictions on drug possession and the selling of drugs;
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- 30 2. **URGES** member states to hold other member states accountable for their lack
- 31 of care in the drug induced deaths and drug infused communities that they
- 32 cause due to the lack of proper regulations;
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- 34 3. **RECOMMENDS** member states to enforce a drug policy similar to Cuba's.
- 35 Cuba's drug laws state the the possession, use, or distribution of illicit drugs
- 36 are prohibited by federal law and have strict penalties are provided for drug
- 37 convictions, including mandatory prison terms for many offenses which
- 38 increase significantly when their actions may result in death or serious bodily



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Subject: Minimum Standards for Healthcare Mandates

Sponsored By: Bolivian Republic of Venezuela

Submitted To: 3rd Social

1 RECOGNIZING that this topic is a global issue since the minimum standard for healthcare is
2 redundant in many nations especially ones without standardised healthcare, and
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4 TAKING INTO ACCOUNT that some nations are incapable of improving their healthcare
5 due to financial issues such as the need for more workers and supplies so that facilities can
6 run, and
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9 ACKNOWLEDGING the efforts of some to try to improve the situation whether by sending
10 healthcare resources to areas in need to improve the standards there or by trying to institute
11 standards in their own country;
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14 1) SUGGESTS that some sort of international standard for basic human healthcare be
15 put in place, this could also be accompanied by a financial aid for less developed
16 countries, and defines this standard as something that would increase average
17 wellness across the globe, this could also be defined based upon the condition of the
18 country and the services being provided;
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20 2) REQUESTS the UN form a fund to provide nations in need with the money to afford
21 improvements to their healthcare programs to raise the local healthcare standards.
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MODEL UNITED NATIONS



Submitted To: 3rd SCH

Topic: Censorship of Internet Activism

Submitted By: Kazakhstan

ALARMED that the internet is used by terrorist organizations and their supporters for a wide range of purposes include recruitment, financing, propaganda, training, and incitement to commit acts of terrorism, and

NOTING that back in 2012 the Secretary General of the UN said that, "the Internet is a prime example of how terrorists can behave in a truly transnational way; in response, States need to think and function in an equally transnational manner," and

ENCOURAGED by the Secretary General, states need to think about the safety of the public, and that online activism can lead to dangerous and violent outcomes such as crimes and terrorism, and

AWARE that some nations are disinclined to have more restrictions on internet activism, and

- 1) CALLS UPON the UN to allow states to have more freedom when dealing with problems that deal with internet activism, because the safety of a nation's people and itself should take precedence before all else;
- 2) URGES nations to be allowed to have more restrictions on their internet because restricting internet will lead to pros such as limiting harmful information spread, minimizing cyber threats, and eliminating misleading news;
- 3) RECOMMENDS that a legislation be passed that would allow states to have more control over the media withing their border, because it would make dealing with extremism/terrorism easier, and it would be better for the safety of citizens in general.



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MODEL UNITED NATIONS



Submitted To: 3rd SCH

Topic: Censorship of Internet Activism

Submitted By: Portuguese Republic

CONSIDERING that the definition of internet censorship, according to the International Center for Applied Studies in Information Technology, is “the control of suppression of the publishing of, or access to information on the Internet,” and

EMPHASIZING that censorship of internet activism is in violation of freedom of speech, being that one’s opinions are restrained, and freedom of speech applies to any means of communication, and

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT the benefits internet activism presents, including the ability to spread awareness in a timely, wide-spread manner; provide an outlet for support and shared experiences, and allow people around the world to educate themselves on crucial topics, giving anyone with internet access the capability to make a difference in our world, and

HAVING CONSIDERED the downsides to the vast web the internet creates, including the spreading of misinformation and not always having the ability to protect children with access to the internet, the benefits of utilizing technology for activism outweigh the disadvantages because any website can take safety precautions and create restrictions for children on the internet, and there is no better way to expand information throughout the world, and

- 1) STRESSES the utter importance of the internet and the advantages it provides regarding societal advancement and the creation of resources for individuals and groups to achieve political or social change;
- 2) SUPPORTS educating internet users, especially children, regarding internet safety and precautions;
- 3) APPLAUDS the use of the internet to spread opinions, campaigns, awareness, and create positive change in our society;
- 4) URGES other nations to recognize the benefits of internet activism worldwide and encourage citizens to utilize the internet to participate in efforts they are passionate about;
- 5) EXPRESSES APPRECIATION to any nation that will not censor the voices of its citizens, but instead set a course of action for the safe utilization of the internet to promote change.



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MODEL UNITED NATIONS



Submitted To: 3rd SCH

Topic: Censorship of Internet Activism

Submitted By: United States of America

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5 DECLARING privacy and freedom of expression to be inherent fundamental human rights as recognized by
6 the United Nations (UN) within but not limited to the UN Declaration of Human Rights and the International
7 Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, and
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9 CITING a Special Rapporteur report from the 17th session of the Human Rights Council that “the Internet has
10 become a key means by which individuals can exercise their right to freedom of opinion and expression,”
11 which by extension being a protected means of speech under the aforementioned agreements, and
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13 NOTING WITH CONCERN the rising trend of Internet shutdowns in numerous countries by governments
14 attempting to seize control of a primary source of communication in order to alter the outcomes of a significant
15 political event, and *subsequently going directly against human rights commitments previously made*, and
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17 HAVING STUDIED government-mandated shutdowns in recent years, it should also be noted with further
18 concern that according to a report made by respected think tank on digital security, Top10VPN, these
19 infringements of human rights cost the global economy a staggering *18.1 billion USD* since 2019, and
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21 OBSERVING that over the years the Internet has become increasingly centralized, where power is held in the
22 hands of a few powerful entities, meaning that it has become easier than ever to institute an internet shutdown,
23 with 155 Internet shutdowns in 29 countries reported in 2020 by the activist group #KeepItOn coalition, and
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25 STRESSING the importance of protective UN legislation for the purpose of keeping the internet available for
26 citizens of all countries in order for there to be global economic, social, and political growth, and
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28 1) UNEQUIVOCALLY CONDEMNS any usage of an Internet shutdown for purposes not limited
29 to but including stifling opposition, media crackdowns, or limiting communications as a first
30 choice without prior regulation, and
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32 2) SUGGESTS the decentralization of power, or the dispersal of data and services, within the
33 technological sectors of countries by both the individual governments and industry groups in
34 order to build more resilient infrastructure designed to resist shutdowns and censorship;
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36 3) ENDORSES the private and public funding of individual and organization lead internet
37 advocacy coalitions (such as the #KeepItOn and the Top10VPN groups) created with the
38 purposes of preserving the freedom and privacy of citizens;
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40 4) TRUSTS that if any member state is found to be in violation of any previous agreements or
41 Principles found within the UN Charter, that they may be expelled from the Organization by the
42 General Assembly as previously stated within Article 6 of the UN Charter.



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MODEL UNITED NATIONS



Subject: Censorship of Internet Activism

Sponsored By: Israel

Submitted To: 3rd Social

1 **OBSERVING** that the internet has brought a rise of internet activism recently, which is
2 defined as the use of electronic communication technologies such as social media, e-mail, and
3 podcasts for various forms of activism to enable faster and more effective communication by
4 citizen movements, the delivery of particular information, and

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6 **CONFIDENT** that internet activism is soon to be the most commercial way of political
7 marketing which was recently shown in the United States 2020 presidential elections, only
8 recently has the internet begun to withhold information and edit what is being said, and

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10 **REMINDS** that the internet's main use it to promote creative ideas and ideologies, and with
11 the expansion of the internet some of these ideas are becoming censored or the communities
12 are becoming hostile towards the ideas, and

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14 **NOTING WITH DEEP CONCERN** that misinformation has began to spread all around the
15 internet, with some of the information having to do with important world events, plus popular
16 social media platforms such as Tik Tok, Instagram, and Facebook being some of the leading
17 stages for this information;

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19 1.) **ENCOURAGES** social media and other internet platforms to enforce their
20 rules and regulations to stop any spreading of misinformation or possible
21 censorship of real and viable ideas;
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23 2.) **SUGGESTS** that governments should not get involved due to the possibility
24 of social media becoming a government led and regulated platform, which
25 would result in more violations of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights
26 and would stop many activities throughout the world;
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28 3.) **EXPRESSES ITS HOPE** that companies that are censoring certain
29 information on their platforms, such as political ideologies, should be
30 reprimanded for violating the first amendment right, but again this is speaking
31 upon censoring true and viable information;
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33 4.) **MINDFUL** of the current status of the world, with a pandemic still raging
34 around the world which could cause many inconsistencies to internet
35 regulations and the reprimanding of inconsistencies.
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MODEL UNITED NATIONS



Subject: Censorship of Internet Activism

Sponsored By: Belgium

Submitted To: 3rd SCH

1. **ALARMED BY** the oppression and suppression of Palestinian activists in the hands
2. of Israel, and
- 3.
4. **CONCERNED FOR** the safety of Palestinian activists and the residents of Sheikh
5. Jarrah who are potential evictees for having live-streamed confrontations and
6. documented footage of injuries after Israeli police stormed al-Aqsa Mosque, one of
7. the holiest sites in Islam, and
- 8.
9. **HAVING CONSIDERED** activism on social media which has had a tremendous
10. impact on raising awareness globally for Palestinian liberation, censorship in the
11. digital space makes evident that there remains a need for greater transparency and
12. equity in online platforms, and
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14. **ALARMED** by the amount of journalists and citizens who are detained daily for
15. speaking about Palestine and/or recording the abuse that Palestinians endure;
- 16.
17. **APPEALS** to the posts of activists like Muna El-Kurd and Mohammed El-Kurd who
18. have reached millions worldwide, providing more understanding of the occupation
19. and power disparity in Palestine;
- 20.
21. **1) CALLS UPON** Facebook and Twitter, social media companies that had wrongly
22. blocked and restricted millions of pro-Palestinian posts and accounts related to the
23. crisis, to stop taking down pro-Palestinian posts as related to 'terrorism';
- 24.
25. **2) SUPPORTS** Ignacio Culebras of the Committee to Protect Journalists, the Arab
26. Center for the Advancement of Social Media, a group that advocates for Palestinian
27. digital rights, and 7amleh, an organization that points to the content moderation
28. policies of social media networks that rely on artificial intelligence;
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30. **EXPRESSES ITS HOPE** that responsible parties put an end to the censorship of
31. Palestinians across social media.



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MODEL UNITED NATIONS



Subject: Censorship of Internet Activism

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RECOGNIZING that a Socialist party has come up with the idea to censor what people see on the internet all throughout Spain, and

NOTING that the Spanish government has excused this as being a way to combat “fake news” and “foreign intervention”, and

AWARE that this campaign is meant to have the internet under surveillance at all times searching for that goes against what the government supports, and

EMPHASIZING that the government will show the people of Spain propaganda that they support themselves, and

REALIZING that the people of Spain will have no voice or way of expressing their own personal opinion about their country or what goes on around it;

- 1) **REQUEST** that the Socialist party of Spain will remove their surveillance from the internet and allow people to view it without restriction;
- 2) **RECOMMENDS** that the Socialist government will worry about something more important than internet sifting, like poverty;
- 3) **CALLS UPON** Prime Minister Pedro Sanchez to allow the people that he oversees to determine whether they think this is best;
- 4) **ACKNOWLEDGES** that the citizens of Spain must desire to be free from this internet bondage more than the countries around them before help can come;
- 5) **STRESSES** the importance of freedom of speech and activism for not just Spain but all countries of the world for seeing one another's views and opinions allows people to grow



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1 Recognizing the concern of censorship of the internet seeing as this could lead to confidential
2 matters of a country that need to be kept secret will be out to the public eye, and

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4 Endorsing that this should be kept on some matters to make sure people are not seeing that
5 should not be seen like leaked information, sensitive matters, or inappropriate images or
6 videos, so this proves why this should be left up to a matter of national sovereignty, and

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8 Understanding that while other nations and people believe that censoring of the internet
9 should not be allowed it is important to understand that this is just demonstrating what is
10 essentially community guidelines of social media sites, and this is what makes it important to
11 both allow and stop the matter from making the people have information that could
12 potentially ruin a country;

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14 1) Recommending that the UN makes sure that this matter's guidelines are sure to make
15 all countries retain national sovereignty, so that the matter is dealt with accordingly
16 and correctly with each country;

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18 2) Urging that a very loose set of guidelines are put in place so said guidelines are
19 changeable to fit a country's conditions;

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21 3) Instituting stricter upload settings and guidelines to ensure that certain matters that
22 should never reach the internet never do; therefore, making the matter no longer a
23 problem by making sure there is no need to censor anything;

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25 4) Encouraging that UN should make this matter an easy one to end by giving countries
26 time and resources to help make guidelines to protect the public, country, and nation
27 sovereignty.



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Subject: Censorship of Internet Activism

Sponsored By: Japan

Submitted To: 3rd Social

1 RECOGNIZING Internet censorship is the control or suppression of what can be accessed,
2 published, or viewed on the Internet enacted by regulators, or on their own initiative, internet
3 censorship also occurs in response to or in anticipation of events such as elections, protests,
4 and riots, and

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6 EMPHASIZING that many nations participate in censoring activity on the internet, such as
7 with study by CIGI and Ipsos in 2014 revealed that 64% of people worldwide were concerned
8 about the government censoring the internet, and

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10 CONSCIOUS of the fact that some countries use censorship more than others and or much
11 more lenient about content being on the internet than others;

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13 1) IMPLORES the UN to introduce a bill regulating governments access to the internet
14 and the freedom of speech on such.