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MODEL UNITED NATIONS



Special Political

1. Rights of Indigenous Peoples
2. Destruction of World Heritage Sites
3. Election Interference



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Submitted To: Special Political

Topic: Rights of Indigenous People

Submitted By: Cuba

TAKING NOTE that there are approximately 370 million indigenous people in about 70 different countries spread throughout the world such as Native Americans, the Inuit of the Arctic, and tribal peoples in the Philippines, and

NOTING that many indigenous groups have not been given basic human and political rights and freedoms along with having their lands and resources taken, and

AWARE that despite previous efforts, many indigenous groups still lack equal protections under the law, and political representation, and

WELCOMING the right of indigenous people to exercise their rights of sovereignty over themselves in accordance with international law, and

AFFIRMING the many positive social, cultural, and economic contributions of indigenous peoples to society;

1.) URGES member states to enact the right of self-determination;

2.) COMMENDS member states for their efforts to protect the rights of indigenous groups;

3.) CALL UPON member states to respect the right of indigenous groups under international law and internationally accepts norms and agreements;

4.) URGES member states to allow the indigenous groups develop new ways to control resources in order to maintain their cultural identity;

5.) RECOMMENDS that all people should be afforded the rights of life, liberty, and property.



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Submitted To: Special Political
Topic: Rights of Indigenous Peoples
Submitted By: Egypt

1 **AWARE** that there are more than 370 million indigenous people in about 70 countries
2 worldwide, and
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4 **TAKING NOTE** that indigenous peoples are often socially discriminated against or perceived
5 as less than human by the rest of the populace because of their unique cultural traditions, and
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7 **MINDFUL** that the rights of Indigenous peoples defines their ownership rights to cultural and
8 ceremonial expression, identity, speech, employment, health and education, etc., and
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10 **Emphasizing** indigenous peoples needs for their rights to be respected and promoted in a healthy
11 manner in all places including meetings, and organized dispositions;
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- 13 1. **REQUEST** the rights of indigenous peoples to be open to everyone to make sure they
14 are aware of certain capabilities and actions;
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- 16 2. **URGES** the non-indigenous people to interact and be more mindful that everyone is
17 different and not believing in the same things;
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- 19 3. **REASSURES** the importance of successful liability with regard to violence against
20 indigenous women and girls, including sexual violence, abuse, and exploiting them in
21 the process, while taking sufficient measures such as violence;
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- 23 4. **ENCOURAGES** States to organize activities to remember the adoption of the rights
24 of indigenous peoples at all levels, from all over, including to raise public awareness
25 of the declaration, the progress achieved and the challenges remaining.



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Submitted To: Special Political

Topic: Rights of Indigenous People

Submitted By: El Salvador

1 The rights of indigenous people being threatened in the North American country of El Salvador;
an option that the government that the government could execute is to help provide instruction
across the country to prevent the destruction of indigenous lands, and to prevent the persecution of
the people and their native language;

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4 Stressing the fact that they have no way of protecting themselves against gangs that have been
attacking the indigenous people; nevertheless, citizens of El Salvador try their best to preserve
their native lands; the country needs their naturel resources to help further the growth of their
economy, so they sacrifice their country for temporary success;

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7 Suggesting that the El Salvadorian government would send reinforcements to protect their native
lands, and to educate the current citizens on why they need to respect their country, and how
without those lands their country could fall apart within the next couple of years;

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- a. Reinforcing the fact that within the next few years their country could fall apart, many
other countries could fall into a recession without the import of many of their products
such as coffee, peaches, as well as many other nuts and grains;
 - i. Promotes the failure of many other countries such as the United States of America,
Canada, and many countries of the United Nations; this causes the world's
economy to possibly fall apart,
 - ii.
 - iii. Fully Acknowledging the fact that without the government's protection over the
indigenous people and their lands, rights, and language, their countries loses the
value of their origin.



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Submitted To: Special Political
Topic: Rights of Indigenous People
Submitted By: Guatemala

1 Draws attention to the fact that, in order for there to be equilibrium amongst the world's diverse cultures,
2 indigenous communities must be given independence to freely state their political and cultural stand in
3 native countries, without discrimination of their race or gender, and
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5 Emphasizing the fact that, in order to prevent the communities mentioned above from being discriminated
6 against, governments must actively execute the laws brought forth by the UN Declaration on the Rights of
7 Indigenous People, and
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9 Applauds councils which have already adopted the Declaration and negotiated in working to amend the
10 laws mentioned above, and
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13 Expresses with regret, however, that the lands that are righteously owned by indigenous communities are
14 continuously mishandled by governments despite states law against the relocation of indigenous people
15 without consensus or compensation, and
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17 Emphasizing further that the independence of indigenous people will not only benefit these individuals, but
18 also the balance in the world's biodiversity, and
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20 1) Stresses the significance of giving equal rights to indigenous communities within their
21 their native countries in order to maintain balance in the world;
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23 2) Recommends the active promotions of laws, as well as policies under the UN Declaration
24 on the Rights of Indigenous People by recognizing states in turmoil due to discriminations against
25 indigenous individuals;
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27 3) Suggests that the United Nations declare lands owned by indigenous people as sacred,
28 amending previous laws on the ownership rights of indigenous people, so that these communities are
29 not uprooted from their lands, hence mending the relationship between individuals and governments.



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1/5

Subject: Rights of Indigenous People

Sponsored By: Israel

Submitted To: Special Political

1 Aware that many of the Indigenous people of Israel, namely the Bedouins, are facing an
2 alarming increase in the number of forced displacements to areas that lack basic services and
3 infrastructure, and

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5 Recognizing the criminalisation and stigmatisation of the Bedouin people defending their
6 rights to have their indigenous status officially recognized by the state of Israel, and

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8 Acknowledging the effort already made by Indigenous representatives in the form of
9 addressing UN bodies on Indigenous peoples' issues, and

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11 Emphasizing the fact that, by recognizing the Bedouins' status as Indigneous peoples and the
12 rights to the land that has been with them for generations, the relationship between these
13 people and the State of Israel will improve;

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15 1) Promotes the need for support from state officials in the issue of Indigenous status and
16 land rights;

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18 2) Urges media strategies and a global campaign on the issue of criminalization of the
19 idigenous peoples to change the public view;

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21 3) Encouraging more funding to indigenous rights defenders to strengthen their
22 engagement and to make funding available to help defend land rights;

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24 4) Calls upon the government to provide more funding to displacement facilities to
25 improve their conditions; and

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27 5) Asks for support in initiatives aimed at bettering documentation processes to prevent
28 land rights violations and human rights abuses.



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Submitted To: Special Political
Topic: Rights of Indigenous Peoples
Submitted By: South Africa

1. FULLY ACKNOWLEDGING that an agreement between today's government and our
2. respective countries' indigenous peoples' needs to be met, that will allow for a balance of
3. cultural of autonomy and government authority and
- 4.
5. NOTING WITH REGRET that indigenous peoples, those that first established
6. community, have been marginalized, discriminated against, and pushed off of the
7. lands that they first cultivated and called home for hundreds of years in yours and my
8. country alike and
- 9.
10. BEARING IN MIND that South Africa has just, in the past 25 years, exited the prejudice
11. period of apartheid and is continuing in an effort to right wrongs many ways, it is
12. understood that there is a strained relationship between the South African Government
13. and The Indigenous Peoples of South Africa brought on by apartheid and the segregation
14. and separation that took place simply based on race and
- 15.
16. TAKING INTO ACCOUNT the fact that The United Nations has already made great
17. strides in bettering the lives of indigenous people through the establishment and
18. adoption of The United Nations Declaration of the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP);
- 19.
20. 1) EMPHASIZES the importance of education and the importance of all
21. people being educated on the world's indigenous peoples in order to have a better
22. understanding of their way of life and how we would best be able to
23. accommodate within our own and
- 24.
25. 2) ENCOURAGES delegations to find a way to educate their people about
26. their indigenous peoples in a way that would best suit that country, be it through
27. cultural festivals, designating day(s), etc.
- 28.
29. 3) SUPPORTS the effort of trying to better the lives of the indigenous peoples
30. globally through the education of the people surrounding them.



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Submitted To: Special Political

Topic: Rights of Indigenous Peoples

Submitted By: France

1 **RECOGNIZING** that Indigenous Peoples are people who inhabited the land before it was
2 conquered by colonial societies and who consider themselves distinct from the societies currently
3 governing those territories, and
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5 **KEEPING IN MIND** that even with the recognition and acceptance of the Universal
6 Declaration of Human Rights, which guarantees the fundamental rights of all human beings, in
7 practical fact Indigenous Peoples human rights remain without specifically designated safeguards,
8 which was stated by the University of Minnesota Human Rights Center, and
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10 **CONSIDERING** that the First Nations Studies Program also stated their rights include: right to
11 land, rights to subsistence resources and activities, the right to self-determination and
12 self-government, and the right to practice one's own culture and customs including language and
13 religion, and
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15 **OBSERVING** that the University of Minnesota Human Rights Center stated that in many cases,
16 governments have made policies that enforce assimilation in efforts to extinguish Indigenous
17 Peoples culture and traditions, and
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19 **HAVING REVIEWED** that national governments continue to deny Indigenous Peoples the
20 right to live in and govern their own traditional land; often implementing policies to exploit the
21 land that they have used for many centuries, which was also stated by the University of Minnesota
22 Human Rights Center, and
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- 24 1.) **RECOMMENDS** that all nations create a very detailed safeguard for Indigenous
25 Peoples human rights;
26 2.) **INVITES** all nations to come together and build a cultural awareness to help
27 others gain information about their culture and traditions;
27 3.) **REQUESTS** that nations ensure that all Indigenous Peoples rights are being
properly followed and used.



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Subject: Rights Of Indigenous Peoples

Sponsored By: Turkey

Submitted To: Special Political

NOTING WITH GRAVE CONCERN Turkey administration only recognizes three minorities being Non-Muslim groups, and

CONSIDERING the notion of minute voting privileges and minor recognition given to the minorities, and

EMPHASIZING the importance of ethnic, cultural, and religious diversity which remain unacknowledged to the government and not asked upon by the government, and

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT the administration has inaccurate and useless data due to it being out of date

1. **DEMANDS** the government take into consideration of these groups by asking for more relevant data for a census, giving the groups voting privileges, and recognizing them as a whole
2. **INSTRUCTS** the administration take into account how important the minority group is by having possible celebrations or holidays for the groups affected by this
3. **EXPRESSES IT'S THANKS** to the individ
4. **WELCOMES** ideals of diversity in the Turkish culture and government,



Subject: Rights of Indigenous Peoples

Sponsored By: Austria

Submitted To: Special Political

1 ALARMED that the Romani population both inside and outside of Austria is not being
2 properly accounted for, thus leading to an inadequate amount of government funded resources
3 and services, such as food, water, healthcare, and education, and

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5 CONCERNED by the segregation of the Roma people, in terms of housing, employment, and
6 other opportunity-giving services, and

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8 NOTING that the United Nations Human Rights Office has previously attempted to create
9 government policies that could further Roma inclusion and integration, as well as encouraging
10 the Romani, especially the women, to strengthen their outreach, and to become more included
11 in their communities, be that through local decision-making, through community service, or
12 simply giving them a voice to comment on local, national, and UN policies, and

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14 APPRECIATING the work of groups seeking to defend the rights of the Roma people, such as
15 the European Roma Rights Centre, and

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17 EMPHASIZING the importance of helping these people achieve goals and get a better
18 education for both adults and children, and

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20 STRESSES that the right to life is a fundamental human right, and that denying peoples certain
21 opportunities affects their mortality rate;

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23 1) ENCOURAGES fellow European nations to spread the word about the
24 existence of the Romani people;
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26 2) STRESSES the need to encourage nations' Roma population to be more vocal
27 about their existence, so that we can get more accurate numbers of their
28 population;
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30 3) SUGGESTS that places within nations with high densities of Roma fund their
31 schools more, so that the people may receive a more adequate education;
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33 4) CALLS UPON countries with high Roma populations to make sure their right
to life is not infringed upon.



Subject: Rights of Indigenous Peoples

Sponsored By: Mexico

Submitted To: Special Political

1 CONCERNED with the crippling rates of poverty among Indigenous Peoples, and

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3 STRESSING that all around the world, Indigenous Peoples tend to be the poorest minority in
4 their respective countries, as well as the most marginalized, and

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6 ALARMED that Indigenous Peoples make up around 15% of the world's extremely poor, and
7 that the wealth gap between Indigenous and Non-Indigenous people is stagnant in most
8 countries, growing in others, and

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10 REALIZING that the maternal and infant mortality rates are significantly higher among
11 Indigenous individuals, and

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13 REITERATING that unless strong action is taken, Indigenous Peoples will remain in an
14 endless cycle of poverty;

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16 1) CONSIDERS welfare programs dedicated to granting funds to countries with 40
17 percent or more below the poverty line, in order to be provided to needy families;

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19 2) APPROVES of clearer definitions as to who is Indigenous and who is not, in order to
20 better classify these individuals to produce more accurate data on their birth and death
21 rates, infant mortality rates and other important statistics;

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23 3) RECOMMENDS a healthcare program that pays for the healthcare of most
24 low-income families, especially those with multiple children or members who suffer
25 from any disabilities;

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27 4) EXPRESSES ITS APPRECIATION of all nations that have already taken action to
28 help their indigenous populations, by means of public programs or government aid;

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30 5) CALLS UPON member states of the United Nations to voice their opinions on this
31 issue so that the Indigenous population and their plight is not forgotten.



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Subject: Rights of Indigenous People
Sponsored By: Federal Republic of Germany
Submitted To: Special Political

1 **CONCERNED** by the continued removal of indigenous people from their homes in many
2 developing countries despite the passing of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of
3 Indigenous Peoples, and
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5 **AWARE OF** the fact that killings of indigenous people have been widespread since the
6 passing of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People, with almost
7 four people being killed per week, and
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9 **DEEPLY DISTURBED** by the fact that many world leaders have come out against the
10 United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People, meaning that the indigenous
11 people in the nations of those leaders are not protected and could face further persecution, due
12 to the fact that leaders are claiming that the Declaration does not help anyone and will just
13 cause further setbacks in the growth of their nation, and
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15 **RECOGNIZES** that even in cases of indigenous people being granted rights in their nation,
16 many of them do not have communication with that nation's leader, leading to them possibly
17 not receiving the benefits and protections that they feel they fully deserve;
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19 1) **REQUESTS** that, in order to enforce the protections and rights of
20 indigenous peoples, trade sanctions be placed on those nations that do
21 not protect the rights of their indigenous people;
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23 2) **ENCOURAGES** the creation of a summit where world leaders and
24 leaders of indigenous peoples can meet and discuss what issues they
25 have with the current state on the rights and protections of those
26 indigenous peoples;
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28 3) **RECOMMENDS** nations to create and support organizations, such as
29 the FPCN and EPA, and to continue and further the use of
30 UPRs(Universal Periodic Reviews) on human rights to ensure the
31 rights of the indigenous people in a nation.



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Sponsored By: Norway

Submitted To: Special Political

Subject: Destruction of World Heritage Sites

RECOGNIZING the significant concern of destruction to world heritage sites all across the globe by destruction from groups and environmental issues, and

AWARE of the fact that destruction of physical or intangible artifacts that embody the ideas, beliefs, and characteristics of past societies is a well-tested means of control and power, and

REALIZING that terrorist group's deliberate destruction of cultural heritage sites throughout the Middle East and North Africa, and

AWARE that a US-based organization that fights against the illicit global trade in antiquities, Daesh destroyed over 150 sites between 2011 and 2015, and

ACKNOWLEDGING the destruction of World Heritage sites sever our connections to the past, losing precious information regarding our past, and

NOTING that war has also allowed professional tomb robbers to operate under the radar and loot sites of historical significance, taking away their precious and valuable information from the native people, and from others wanting to gain knowledge of their unknown heritage; and

BEARING IN MIND that since December 2014 the United Nations announced that 300 heritage sites across the middle east had been either completely destroyed or partially damaged, historical heritage sites lost and heritage gone forever, and

PERCEIVING that committees objected to the proposed construction of a group of tall buildings, which were considered to destroy the visual integrity of the urban landscape that once dominated, and traditional rural environments are suffering from social change and consequent abandonment of properties, and

1.) URGES the United Nations to employ peacekeepers to safeguard World Heritage sites from further destruction, especially those determined to be a target, and

2.) REQUESTS member nations to help fund operations, to ensure the protection of World Heritage sites from further destruction, and

3.) DEMANDING the cooperation of all nations to protect and conserve all the World Heritage Sites left in the world and save the history for future generations to come, and provide the necessities to preserve the historical world heritage sites.



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Submitted To: Special Political

Topic: Rule by Terror

**Submitted By: The Republic of
Iraq**

- 1 Emphasizing the fact, that the many terrorists groups of Iraq have destroyed many World
- 2 Heritage Sites within Iraq itself, these places include various worship places under ISIL control,
- 3 28 historical religious buildings, and robbed many places with ancient artifacts of high value, and
- 4 these artifacts were sold to foreigners and the money received from that was used to fund the
- 5 activities of the ISIS, and,
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- 7 Stressing the fact, that these historical buildings were of great value and had great resemblance
- 8 for the people of Iraq, also witnessing these incidents have become a great terror for the citizens
- 9 of Iraq, and,
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- 11 Continuing, many other buildings have been destroyed such as, churches, monasteries, mosques,
- 12 and shrines, all these buildings have great sentimental value for the citizens of Iraq, especially
- 13 since the buildings that have stood there for a long time and it was the place of worship for them
- 14 for all of their holidays and the place where any special ritual would take place, and,
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- 16 Elaborating on, knowing that these all these problems are occurring in Iraq, the government of
- 17 Iraq should be more strict on executing laws that have been put in place, ISIS needs to be under
- 18 the government control rather than the government being under the ISIS control, and,
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- 20 Continuing, ISIS has many sub terrorist groups that have formed and are taking over parts of Iraq,
- 21 which is taking those parts of Iraq out of government control and ISIS is still the main terrorist
- 22 group in Iraq, although there are other even smaller groups forming from the already formed sub
- 23 groups, and,
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- 25 Emphasizing the fact, that all these terrorist groups have formed and are starting to take over
- 26 parts of Iraq could possibly cause the Iraqi government to collapse politically and socially, to
- 27 possibly prevent this from happening, the Iraqi government could stop the major terrorist group
- 28 first which would automatically weaken the smaller groups and eventually all terrorism could
- 29 possibly stop.



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Subject: Destruction of World Heritage Sites

Sponsored By: Iceland

Submitted To: Special Political

1 ACKNOWLEDGING the fact that in order for humanity to truly appreciate landmarks and
2 areas for their cultural, historical and scientific significance, the United Nations Educational,
3 Scientific and Cultural Organization has designated certain locations as World Heritage Sites,
4 and
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6 NOTING the fact that Iceland has three World Heritage Sites including Þingvellir National
7 Park, Surtsey and Vatnajökull National Park, and
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9 STRESSING the past efforts Iceland has made to maintain natural areas and keep the cultural
10 significance of specific landmarks, and
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12 NOTING WITH DEEP CONCERN that the destruction of natural and cultural landmarks
13 goes against the UNESCO policy of promoting international collaboration in order to
14 increase universal respect along with fundamental freedom proclaimed in the United Nations
15 Charter, and
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17 EMPHASIZING Iceland's opinion that global problems should be solved by the United
18 Nations collectively, as opposed to being solved by nations individually, and
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20 SUGGESTING a worldwide effort to criminalize destruction with intent by humans by
21 implementing and enforcing a system that threatens specific legal action such as fines and
22 possible jail time, and
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24 SUGGESTING further conversation between global powers on the topic of global warming
25 and its effects on the destruction of certain World Heritage Sites including, but not limited to
26 sites in countries experiencing the most severe consequences of climate change, and
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28 RECOMMENDING a special committee that will focus on the issue of climate change in
29 relation to natural destruction and act proactively to explore possible solutions that would
30 prevent further annihilation of these long-honored locations, and
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32 REQUESTING the participation of all UN members to ensure the success of the committee,
33 and
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35 ENCOURAGING STRONGLY the cooperation of all member nations to guarantee longevity
36 among the UNESCO World Heritage Sites and prevent further natural destruction along with
37 destruction by humans.



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Subject: Destruction of World Heritage Sites

Sponsored By: The Republic of Poland

Submitted To: Special Political

1 RECOGNIZING that for a site to be designated as a World Heritage Site, it must meet
2 one of the ten criteria outlined in UNESCO's *Operational Guidelines for the*
3 *Implementation of the World Heritage Convention*, and
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5 CONSIDERING that 16 of the 1,121 sites recognized by UNESCO are found within
6 Poland's borders, and
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8 ALARMED that 53 sites are deemed "In Danger" at present, and
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10 REAFFIRMING Poland's stout dedication to preserving these sites as lessons and
11 treasures for all future generations, and
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13 ASTOUNDED by the lack of measures taken to preserve and protect many of the
14 wonders;
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- 16 1) STRESSES the importance of preserving and protecting these sites;
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- 18 2) IMPORES all member nations to remember the scars inflicted upon them and
19 that they have inflicted upon others, and the World Heritage Sites that have
20 resulted from the scars that remind us of the capabilities of human cruelty;
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- 22 3) CALLS UPON all member nations with World Heritage Sites within their
23 borders to more firmly prioritize the protection of these sites both from
24 environmental and human elements;
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- 26 4) INSISTS that the aforementioned measures include programs to educate the
27 appropriate populations on the nature, importance, and preservation of World
28 Heritage Sites;
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- 30 5) REMINDS member nations that it is the responsibility of every nation to
31 prevent the necessity of adding sites to remind humanity of human suffering,
32 especially suffering inflicted on a country's neighbors;
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- 34 6) HOPES that member nations will work together to preserve, protect, and
35 educate the masses about the many World Heritage Sites around the globe, and
36 remember the history behind them.
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Subject: Destruction of World Heritage sites

Sponsored By: Belgium

Submitted To: Special Political

1 **AWARE** that Belgium destroyed the Gothic Bridge on the Scheldt river and

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3 **EXPRESSING DEEP CONCERN** that the population opposed the destruction of the Gothic
4 Bridge and

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6 **CONCERNED** how the population will react to the destruction with the political leaders and

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8 **AWARE** that the political leaders opposed it at first and then accepted to have the bridge taken
9 down

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11 **CALLS UPON** the political leaders to re-evaluate the decision of removing the bridge from
12 the river,

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14 1. **RECOMMENDS** the leaders hold a conference to see how the population believes that
15 they can solve the situation,

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17 2. **EXPRESS THE HOPE** that the country can come to a compromise and work together
18 to keep the bridge together and up,

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20 3. **WELCOMES** the ideas of people from the community of how to keep the bridge
21 together and keep the memory alive.

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2/6

Subject: Destruction of World Heritage sites

Sponsored By: Belgium

Submitted To: Special Political

AWARE that Belgium destroyed the Gothic Bridge on the Scheldt river and

EXPRESSING DEEP CONCERN that the population opposed the destruction of the Gothic Bridge and

CONCERNED how the population will react to the destruction with the political leaders and

AWARE that the political leaders opposed it at first and then accepted to have the bridge taken down

CALLS UPON the political leaders to re-evaluate the decision of removing the bridge from the river,

1. **RECOMMENDS** the leaders hold a conference to see how the population believes that they can solve the situation,
2. **EXPRESS THE HOPE** that the country can come to a compromise and work together to keep the bridge together and up,
3. **WELCOMES** the ideas of people from the community of how to keep the bridge together and keep the memory alive.

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Subject: Destruction of World Heritage Sites
Sponsored By: Commonwealth of the Bahamas
Submitted To: Special Political

1 **NOTING** that the Bahamas already has sites recommended for World Heritage sites

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3 **FULLY AWARE** that these sites have historical value and are of great international
4 importance

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6 **GRAVELY CONCERNED** for the safety and preservation of these sites for the next
7 generations

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9 **COGNIZANT** that there should be laws in place to prevent damage to these types of sites

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11 **RECOGNIZING** that to best protect these sites for future generations is that the sites should
12 receive ample funding

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14 1.) **ENCOURAGES** governments to to allow the public to view these sites

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17 2.) **URGES** ;governments to analyze these sites to make sure they are properly
18 preserved and protected

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20 3.) **REQUESTS** that nations will provide funding and pass laws to make sure that
21 these sites are preserved for future generations

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23 4.) **RECOMMENDS** that U.N. members be required to preserve these sites, allow the
24 public to view them ,and a subcommittee to be put in place to make sure they are
25 properly preserved

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27 5.) **SUGGESTS** that these sites be owned by governments and completely controlled
28 by them

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30 6.) **EXPRESSES THE HOPE** that these sites will be preserved with the help of
31 governments and that the sites will be available for future generations



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Subject: Destruction of World Heritage Sites

Sponsored By: Saudi Arabia

Submitted To: Special Political

NOTING that there are over 1,000 World Heritage Sites, areas of unparalleled natural and cultural significance, in 167 nations, and

DEEPLY CONCERNED that 53 of these areas are considered endangered because of environmental or terroristic threats, and

ALARMED that 41% of these threatened sites are found in Arab states, primarily because they are targeted by anarchists, and

COGNIZANT that the Security Council has passed resolution 2347, which encourages nations to supply the names of individuals and organizations who support ISIL's attack on World Heritage Sites, and

RECOGNIZING that UNESCO published its Protection of Cultural Property Military Manual to educate concerned states on how to safeguard historical landmarks while still effectively combating terrorism;

1.) **ADVISES** countries to implement programs in their militaries that inform servicemembers of where World Heritage Sites are located and how to best protect them;

2.) **REQUESTS** that all nations with threatened Heritage Sites complete annual investigations into how to mitigate the damages caused to these areas;

3.) **RECOMMENDS** auditing countries that abuse the funds UNESCO provides them to protect their Heritage Sites;

4.) **SUGGESTS** that states found guilty of misusing these funds and not properly securing their sites provide restitution to UNESCO or risk having all of their World Heritage Sites delisted;

5.) **EXPRESSES THE HOPE** that all nations will unite to protect their invaluable natural and historical resources for future generations.



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2/9

Subject: Destruction of World Heritage Sites

Sponsored By: Japan

Submitted To: Special Political

1 NOTING WITH GRAVE CONCERN that more heritage sites have been destroyed in the past
2 century than ever before in human history, and
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4 TAKING INTO ACCOUNT that the Syrian civil war has been a major factor driving this
5 issue for many years now, as well as the terrorist group I.S.I.S. who has destroyed multiple
6 heritage sites including the city of Palmyra, Apamea, and the city of Mari, and
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8 HAVING REVIEWED other world heritage sites that have been destroyed by humans, such
9 as Japan's Kinkaku-ji temple which was destroyed by an arsonist in 1950, and St. Jude's
10 Cathedral in Canada which was destroyed by an arsonist in 2005, and medieval Christian
11 churches that were burnt down by arsonists in Norway from 1992 until 1995, and
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13 APPRECIATING the actions and steps taken by U.N.E.S.C.O. (United Nations Educational,
14 Scientific, and Cultural Organization) to prevent any further illegal trafficking to the world's
15 heritage sites and protecting their cultural heritage, and
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17 BELIEVING if permanent, stronger solutions are not placed for the world's heritage sites,
18 ancient history will be forgotten by future generations;
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20 1) SUGGESTS all heritage sites around the world be protected by armed guards at all
21 times, knowing that armed guards can prevent small crimes occurring at heritage sites
22 such as vandalism, burglary, and robbery;
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24 2) EXPRESSES THE HOPE that global tourism may increase significantly helping a
25 nation's economy because those heritage sites have become better protected, and
26 become a source for learning about a nation's history and cultural heritage.
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MODEL UNITED NATIONS



2/10

Subject: Destruction of World Heritage Sites

Sponsored By: The United States of America

Submitted To: Special Political

1 BEARING IN MIND that, as of 2019, the number of world heritage sites in danger (i.e.
2 whether from natural disaster, man-made destruction, or other) amounted to a disheartening
3 total of 53, as reported by UNESCO (United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural
4 Organization), and

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6 ALARMED that, according to the UNESCO List of World Heritage in Danger, the region
7 comprised of the smallest portion (eight percent) of world heritage sites across the globe and
8 the region responsible for contributing the greatest percentage (40 percent) of world heritage
9 sites in danger are one and the same, and

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11 TAKING INTO ACCOUNT that, aside from damage wrought by armed conflict, arson, and
12 numerous other factors that contribute to the destruction of world heritage sites, the
13 ever-growing threat of climate change is estimated by the International Union for
14 Conservation of Nature World Heritage Outlook to be the leading cause of ruination to these
15 sites, with the effects already reaching 35 of the natural world heritage sites;

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17 1) INSTRUCTS that member nations of the UN strive to better anticipate destruction to
18 world heritage sites and be more strategically equipped in handling each crisis, and
19 accomplishing the former by:

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21 a) Encouraging States Parties to the World Heritage Convention to fully
22 implement disaster strategies and/or policies to each individual world heritage
23 site in their respective nation;

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25 b) Endeavoring to apply concern for world heritage sites to existing United
26 Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction policies;

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28 2) RECOMMENDS that, in order to give the maximum amount of protection to
29 wilderness areas worldwide, UNESCO adopt more natural world heritage sites that
30 coincide with the Operational Guidelines for the Implementation of the World
31 Heritage Convention;

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33 3) INVITES all member nations of the UN to better educate their citizens through the
34 media, such as the #Unite4Heritage campaign hosted by UNESCO, on the importance
35 and significance world heritage sites have on an international level, so as to strengthen
36 cooperation and prevent future acts of terrorism-related destruction.



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MODEL UNITED NATIONS



3/1

Submitted To: Special Political

Topic: Election Interference

Submitted By: China

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2 **EMPHASIZES** that during the U.S. presidency race, rumors have come afloat that the countries
3 in the Eastern Europe area have meddled with the amount of votes delegates received to try and
4 sway one side of the public, and

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6 **NOTING** that officials both from the middle western area have denied ever forming any sort of
7 alliance during the election and getting more votes for one side of the race, and

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9 **AWARE** of the fact that intelligence agencies have concluded that countries meddled with the
10 election votes by hacking into private emails to make some parties feel unsafe with secret
11 information that was hidden from the public, and

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13 **RECOGNIZING** that intelligence agencies have discovered data after reviewing the states votes
14 in 2016 before the election, it is believed that some countries had infiltrated 7 states' voting
15 registrations or websites and intelligence did not inform the states, and

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17 **EXPRESSING** the fact that although the U.S. hackings where the biggest election interferences
18 to happen recently, we can't focus all eyes on just one country for hacking and we need to watch
19 out for other countries as well;

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21 1. **REINFORCING** the fact that countries need to improve anti-hacking software
22 and to hire more people to be on the spot watching that can know when something
23 is being hacked and can stop the hack before information is released;
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25 2. **OFFERING** the idea that government intelligence agencies need to tell higher up
26 officials when shady business is heard of or seen before the situation can elevate
27 and become dangerous to the countries structure;
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29 3. **ASKING** that if a president's calls and emails were watched and recorded that
30 would open up opportunities for officials to spot shady business and to shut the
31 actions down immediately before too much information is shared;
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33 4. **PROVIDING** the idea that we need to keep our eyes open to all possibilities
34 when it comes to hacking and to make sure the resources available now are used
35 on all countries and not just a few specifically;
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37 5. **PROMOTING** that new programs to be created to help finding the location of
38 the hacker so that the hunt for the hackers isn't as challenging as it is today.
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MODEL UNITED NATIONS



3/2

**Submitted To: Special Political
Topic: Election Interference
Submitted By: Brazil**

- 1 Concerning the common use of misinformation to either help or hurt a candidate during elections across the world, and
- 2 Emphasizing the use of technology to interfere with or support a candidate through illegal or unethical means, and
- 3 Understanding that these things have put authoritarian leaders or a dictatorship in power, and
- 4 Considering that these things can and will have a huge impact on global relations as well as the global economy, and
 - 1) Stressing the need for immediate action to prevent further spread of misinformation;
 - a. Suggesting that social media and news sites should monitor and expel anything believed to be misinformation or illegal activity;
 - 2) Calls upon all member countries to recognize that this issue is one of great proportion;
 - a. Suggests that anyone or any country that is accused and found guilty of election interference should be punished according to effect they had on the election;
 - 3) Approves of the need for severe actions to be taken by the United Nations in order to stop this problem;
 - a. Suggests that if a country within the United Nations is responsible for any major election interference, they should be expelled from further proceedings;
 - 4) Urges the need for an example to be shown of anyone who threatens the stability of the current political world.



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MODEL UNITED NATIONS



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Submitted To: Special Political

Topic: Election Interference

Submitted By: New Zealand

NOTING WITH GRAVE CONCERN that as technology and social media become more prevalent in the world, the various means of election interference and use of such become more common as well, and

STRESSING the important role elections play not only in individual democratic states but on a global scale as leaders of such countries affect the trade, diplomatic, and military relations with other states, and

RECALLING resolution A/Res/50/172 adopted by the General Assembly which emphasized respect for the principles of national sovereignty and non-interference in the internal affairs of States in their electoral processes, and

DRAWING ATTENTION TO the emerging issue of intentional misinformation of voters through social media sites such as Facebook and Twitter and its effects on elections, and

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT recent study results that a false story reaches 1,500 people six times quicker, on average, than a true story, and

RECOGNIZING that several countries do not have the technological and monetary resources to devote to preventing the spread of such misinformation among voters;

- 1) **IMPLORES** the public condemnation of both state and non-state actors responsible for spreading misinformation that interferes with the national sovereignty of countries whose elections are in question, and
- 2) **ENCOURAGES** countries to support efforts to and individually combat the internal spread of misinformation through government task forces, media literacy campaigns, and investigations, and
- 3) **SUGGESTS** the United Nations organize a summit tasked with developing the analysis ability of Member States regarding recognizing and preventing election interference, promoting credible media to global voters, and combatting the spread of misinformation.



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MODEL UNITED NATIONS



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Submitted To: Special Political

Topic: Election Interference

Submitted By: Kuwait

- 1 **Affirming** the idea that it is the duty of the United Nations to uphold democracy around the globe,
2 and that, according to the United Nations Department of Political and Peacebuilding Affairs,
3 elections play a vital role in the democratic process, and
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- 5 **Concerned** that the prevalence of election interference due to external influences such as other
6 nations, independent groups, and political parties is increasing, and
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- 8 **Noting** that election interference can be defined as illegal interference in the process of an election
9 by means of computer hacking, threats, false news, and more and can also be referred to as
10 election fraud and vote rigging, and
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- 12 **Mindful** that in today's age of social media, election interference is even easier and can often go
13 virtually unnoticed through misleading advertisements on social media platforms, such as the
14 allegations that Russian hackers interfered with the American 2016 presidential election through
15 fake news advertisements on Facebook, and
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- 17 **Conscious** of the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights, Article 21, in which it
18 states that every person has the right to take part in the government of their country, whether it be
19 by direct voting or through freely elected representatives, and
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- 21 **Stresses** that free and honest elections are essential to maintaining democracy and order across the
22 globe, and that, if election interference continues and increases, the population could develop
23 distrust in their governmental institutions, leading to possible anarchy and chaos throughout the
24 world, and
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- 26 **Recalling** the UN Charter, Article 2, which states that "members shall refrain...from the threat or
27 use of force against... the political independence of any state", and
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- 29 1) **Invites** nations to update their voting machines or software, running
30 background checks on election officials, and increase security in voting areas in
31 order to better equip them against hackers and therefore election interference;
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- 33 2) **Directs** nations to work together in order to uphold free elections and to
34 preserve democracy across the globe;
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- 36 3) **Encourages** nations to start a public education campaign on false news and
37 advertisements to better equip their citizens with the skills to determine whether a source
38 is false;
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- 40 4) **Urges** nations to whom election interference is a concern in future elections request
assistance from the UN Department of Political and Peacebuilding Affairs (DPPA) for future elections.



3/5

Sponsored By: Equatorial Guinea
Submitted To: Special Political
Subject: Election Interference

1 **Acknowledging** that Election Interference is any action designed to influence or sway the
2 outcome of any election proceedings, and

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4 **Recognizing** the frequency of Election Interference resulting with little to no consequences
5 faced by those responsible, and

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7 **Noting** that Nations should take every possible measure to secure their elections from any
8 foreign influence or agenda, and

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10 **Stressing** the damaging effects that Election Interference causes on a society, undermining
11 their ability to self govern, resulting in the loss of public trust, and

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13 **Aware** that evidence necessary to prove the occurrence of Election Interference is not always
14 available or credible, and

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16 **Realizing** that most countries do not fear repercussions from the United Nations regarding
17 Election Interference, and

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19 1.) **Endorses** the investigation into all claims of Election Interference to the fullest extent
20 possible, and

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22 2.) **Urges** Nations to honor the sovereignty of other Nations protecting their democracy
23 principles, and

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25 3.) **Calls** upon the United Nations to revoke the memberships of nations that Interfere in
26 Elections of other nations, and

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28 4.) **Expressing** full support to the United Nations to hold Nations responsible for their roles
29 or actions in Election Interference, and

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31 5.) **Demanding** the cooperation of member nations while investigating claims of Election
32 Interference, and

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34 6.) **Believing** the necessity of a council with the sole purpose of investigating Election
35 Interference, made up of representatives from all member nations, excluding only those
36 directly involved in case proceedings.



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MODEL UNITED NATIONS



3/6

Subject: Election Interference

Sponsored By: Kazakhstan

Submitted To: Special Political

1 ACKNOWLEDGING that Kazakhstan has one state of government in their country and that
2 there is a lot of propaganda about that one state of government and that people can only vote
3 for that one state of government, and
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5 DRAWS ATTENTIONS TO the fact that between Russia and the United States 68% of
6 election interferences are conducted by these two countries since 1946 to 2000, and
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8 EMPHASIZES that the nations people of the United Nations should have the freedom to the
9 government of their choice and the leader of their choice, and
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11 CONCERNED with the amount of nations that have corrupt government and the amount of
12 countries that sit idly by and watch these countries;
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14 1) STRESSES the importance of countries not having a corrupt government and
15 freedom of who they want in power;
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17 2) INVITES the nations of the United Nations to help the countries with
18 interference in countries elections;
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20 3) BELIEVES that the people of the United Nations should get involved and help
21 other countries with problems with their government and other problems with
22 said nation, and
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24 4) AWARE that stopping the countries responsible for election interference is
25 hard but possible and also it would take a long time for other countries to find
26 the culprits.



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MODEL UNITED NATIONS



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Subject: Election Interference

Sponsored By: The Russian Federation

Submitted To: Special Political

1 GRIEVED that certain nations have taken legal action, which includes doling out economic
2 punishment, regarding election interference against other nations without proper evidence
3 for taking such actions, and
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5 ALARMED that nations would rather immediately hurl crippling sanctions on another nation
6 and their people rather than let an unbiased international court make the decision, and
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8 CONSCIOUS that while nations have a right to sovereignty, an accusation of election
9 interference should be handled by international court, as the verdict of these trials could have
10 massive repercussions, and
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12 ANXIOUS from the idea that false claims of election interference could be levied against
13 nations as a form of economic warfare, and
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15 BELIEVING that the definition of election interference itself is too broad, as a mere opinion
16 from a world leader on an election can be construed as interference, and
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18 STRESSING that minority political factions should not see election interference as an excuse
19 for poor polling results, as a false claim could result in a massive geopolitical conflict;
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21 1) REITERATES that if punishment regarding election interference is to be doled out that
22 it should be done by an international court instead of individual nations;
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24 2) STRESSES that individual nations find their own solutions to solve election
25 interference, as a blanket solution would likely violate national sovereignty and not
26 work for every nation;
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28 3) SUGGESTS that political advertisements sponsored by foreign nations be permitted in
29 other nations, as otherwise it is possible that an illegal and unregulated industry could
30 form, in addition to allowing campaign donations from foreign countries;
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32 4) CONSIDERS punishment for nations or individuals who submit false claims of election
33 interference, as a mere claim of such can tarnish international relationships and cause
34 large scale conflict.



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MODEL UNITED NATIONS



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Subject: Election Interference
Sponsored By: Dominican Republic
Submitted To: Special Political

1 **CONCERNED** by the numerous amount of foreign interference in domestic elections in
2 countries all around the world, and

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4 **STRESSING** that in order for the above mentioned countries to be in control of themselves,
5 the United Nations should take action against foreign interference in domestic elections, and

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7 **ACKNOWLEDGING** that the United Nations refrains from intervening in matters that are
8 essentially within the domestic jurisdiction of any state, and

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10 **EXPRESSING DEEP CONCERN**, however, that further action has not been taken against
11 the perpetrators in election interference, and

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13 **STRESSING FURTHER** that the countries' people should be the only voices in their
14 elections, not foreign powers, and preventing foreign interference in domestic elections will
15 avert one country from controlling the elections of another;

- 16 1. **EMPHASIZES** that efforts must be taken by the United Nations to halt election
17 interference;
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21 2. **ENCOURAGES** placing restrictions to stop nations from performing this act;
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25 3. **RECOMMENDS** sanctions for countries who deliberately interfere with other
26 countries' elections so the act of doing so is discouraged.
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