# FAO Considers Global Hunger Reduction Rome Declaration and Plan of Action expect 15% decrease by 2015



**FATOUMATTA SAGNIA** IPD Reporter

The Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO) informally debated on pressing issues such as world hunger, at AMUN headquarters in the morning of 18 November 2001.

The FAO procedure differs from that of the General Assembly Committees. AMUN Special Rapporteur, Luke Helm said, "the goal is not to produce resolutions but to have good reports. Member delegations involve in moderated caucuses that allows informal debate."

According to Helm, the FAO simulation has a goal to globally reduce world hunger by 15% by the year 2015 as stipulated at the 1996 Rome Declaration of Plan Action. "However, referring to statistics of recent numbers implies that by the year 2030" says the Rapporteur, "world hunger will be reduced by 50%."

Representative Robbin Foughtz of Angola is quite optimistic about those figures. Foughtz says that Angola needs an immediate plan of action regarding world hunger. "The Angola government needs to be financially able to stop mining diamonds so that

Farmers can grow food. Angolans are suffering!"

Foughtz is also in support of disarmament because the Angolan government does not have a safety net for its people. She notes, "the government is too busy trying to keep the opposition force, the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola (UNITA) at bay. The death rate of Angola is 392 for every 1000 births. Something has to be done."

The government of Angola UNITA have been engaged in an intermittent yet devastating civil war since the country's independence in 1975.

## **HSC** focuses on Egypt, Israel

### STEPHANIE PIERCE

IPD Reporter

Today, the United Nations 1956 Security Council worked on solving the current issues of violence and conflict between Egypt and Israel on today, 12 July 1956.

One concern was whether or not the UN should send an additional multinational observer group into the region. Representative Evan Hawker of the United States believes that an observer group is necessary to help keep the concerned parties updated. He believes the current resolution will "insur[e] peace in the region and creat[e] a multinational group to alleviate any humanitarian problems."

Representative Adam Goldstein and Representative Eric Thomasgard of the USSR believe that the UN should not be involved. "We are willing to change our position if Egypt wants it to be done through the UN," Goldstein says.

Egyptian Ambassador Claude Robert Hill IV came before the Security Council on behalf of the people who were killed during the attack. He stated that "Whoever financially supports the repair of the water refinery, that country will not be allowed to bring in any military force. It is therefore proposed," commented the Egyptian Ambassador, "that Egyptian soldiers will protect the development of the water refinery."

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HSC addresses issues in the Middle East

## **Proceedings in Committee / Council Discussions**

### **GA 2nd Committee**

### **LEON ASHBY**

IPD Reporter

The second committee brought forth the debate of External Debt Crisis and Development in the European countries at AMUN Headquarters this afternoon. Vietnam. Venezuela, Argentina, Hungary and Greece stood for debt restructuring and wanted to examine debt on an individual basis, according to Representative Marc Olivier of Mongolia.

In addition, the representative of Uganda Russ Merchant, is not supporting the resolution because he feels that evaluating the debt is not necessary. Russ said that in the past, the idea of evaluating debt didn't work because of minor conflicts within minor countries. He feels that if the larger countries such as Africa, Europe,

and Asia came together to discuss more on this situation, things would change for the better.

Lucia Zamarron the representative from Mongolia also is not supporting the resolution because she needs more clarification from the amendment concerning individuality. According to the representatives from Uganda, Mongolia, and Finland the discussion is still at hand and will hopefully be resolved later on in the evening sessions.

### **GA 3rd Committee**

### **ANDREW KUHAREVICZ**

IPD Reporter

Numerous resolutions circulated within the Third Committee at AMUN Headquarters this afternoon. The topic of discussion was the Right of Peoples to Self-Determination.

Although much was accomplished in caucusing, little was accomplished in formal debate. Several resolutions were entered into debate, but only four of them managed to get signatures.

Draft Resolution GA6, submitted by Nigeria, Nicaragua, Argentina, and Brazil, received the most attention by member states. During formal debate, the only resolution that drew any discussion was that of Jamaica. However, after ten minutes of discussion, another motion to suspend the meeting was raised and members recessed for another hour.

### **MORE ROUNDUP | 3**



The Third Committee of the General Assembly.

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All submissions must be legible to be accepted. The Secretariat reserves the right to accept, edit or reject all submissions.

### Correction:

In the Sunday Morning Edition of the AMUN Daily Chronicle, Stephanie Pierce was accidentally omitted as a co-author of the headline article on page 1 entitled, "AMUN Representatives Welcomed at Opening Plenary." The Editorial Staff regrets the error.

## **2002 Country Lottery**

The lottery for AMUN 2002 will be held on Monday, 19 November 2001, at 11:00 a.m. Take the first step toward getting the country of your choice and sign up now. There is a \$50 non-refundable deposit per country required at the time of application, and it will be applied toward your school's 2002 fees.

As an added incentive to all lottery participants, any school which registers through the lottery will receive a \$5 PER DELEGATE DISCOUNT on all delegate fees for the AMUN 2002 Conference. The AMUN 2002 Conference dates are 23-26 November 2002. At the conclusion of the lottery, all future delegation assignments will be on a first-come, first-

Please direct any questions about this lottery process to the Secretary-General, who can be reached through the Conference Services Desk in the ballroom lobby.

Lottery applications are available from the Conference Services Desk and are due to the Registration/Finance Office (Atlanta Room) by Monday at 11:00 am.

### **ROUNDUP FROM 2**

### **GA 6th Committee**

### ANDREW KUHAREVICZ

IPD Reporter

Strengthening Of the Role of the Organization related to economic sanctions was the topic in the 6th committee on 18 November 2001.

States seemed to be focusing all their attention on persuading other states to sign their resolution. Two resolutions were getting all of the attention.

One resolution submitted by Germany and the other submitted notably by Belgium, Denmark, and Finland, were both being talked about vigorously. Two major points of interest that were getting attention were the resolutions affirming the need for disciplinary measures and requesting the establishment of a special committee of the General Assembly.

Both of these resolutions were very similar in the manners in which they wanted to resolve the issue. However, the majority of the Committee decided to side with the more specific resolution GA6/Draft.

One clause that Germany and many other states wanted introduced in GA6 was to ban unilateral sanctions. Sponsors of resolution GA6 hope to have a final version competed by this evening or early tomorrow morning.

### SC

### JEFF HODGEMAN

IPD Reporter

Debate again circled around the situation in Afghanistan in early ses-

sions on 18 November 2001 in the Security Council (SC).

This came as a result of a situation report received first thing in the morning by the SC. In a bold move, the SC summoned representatives from inside Afghanistan.

Permanent Rep. Kartik Ramachandran Afghanistan was called before the SC to comment on Afghan positions. In an opening statement, Ramachandran mentioned an ad hoc International War Crimes Tribunal to try Taliban offenses. When questioned about how Afghanistan felt the Taliban should be tried, Ramachandran stated that they should be tried under Afghan law. Ramachandran also commented that Northern Alliance Forces would capture the city of Konduz "within a few days." A delegate from Mauritius had

stressed the importance of this city with regard to the movement of land military forces.

Also summoned was a Rep. of King Zahir Shah, former Monarch Afghanistan. The representative "urged the UN to get involved in anyway that could prevent bloodshed in Konduz." When asked about a proposed establishment of a coalition government formed from neighboring countries, the representative stated that he would be more supportive of a government formed from internal factions from Afghanistan.

### **ECOSOC**

### LAURENT BURKHALTER

IPD Reporter

The Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) brought two resolutions to the floor on Sunday November 18, to combat the environmental issue of desertification. While parties to both texts expressed deep concern over land degradation in various regions, they differed on priorities set forth in the operative clauses. As a result, the body split into two blocks.

For Mexico, the text of the resolutions differed according to emphasis given to education. While recognizing the importance of such a component, Mexico voiced its concern over giving too much attention to the long, instead of the short, term. "Books are nice, but food is better," said the Mexican Representative to the Council. "We have to move beyond rhetoric," emphasized the Representative, "and the focus should be upon the short-term resolution instead of education.

Sudan proposed that MORE ROUNDUP | 4



The Economic and Social Council Rapporteur takes the roll call.

Win AMUN Collectibles from Conference Services!

### Rules:

- A. Answer each of the following questions of UN trivia to the best of your knowledge.
- B. Submissions are due in the International Press Delegation Office (located in the Atlanta Room) no later than 1:00 p.m. on Monday, 19 November (before the free afternoon).
- C. Winners will be announced in the AMUN Daily Chronicle on Tuesday morning. In the event of a tie, a random drawing will be conducted to determine winners.
- D. AMUN Staff are excluded from participating.
- E. The Staff in Home Government have been instructed not to provide assistance in answering these questions.
- 1. The UN Charter was signed on 26 June 1945. Fifty original Member States were present at the signing, but history has recorded that there were fifty-one original Member States. Which country was not represented at the signing but is still recognized as an original Member State?
- 2. The ivory carving shown at the right, on display at UN Headquarters, depicts the Chengtu-Kunming Railway in China. It is one of the coolest pieces of artwork at the UN. How many elephant tusks were used to produce this sculpture?



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- 3. Which Permanent Member of the Security Council has cast the **fewest** substantive "no" votes (="vetoes") since 1945?
- 4. The Trusteeship System was originally designed to administer eleven Trust Territories, former colonies from the world wars. All eleven have since gained independence. The first of these became a UN Member State in 1957. What is this former Trust Territory called now?
- 5. Member States of the UN typically pay the upkeep costs of any artwork they donate to UN buildings. Which is the only Member State which refuses to pay the upkeep costs of the artwork it has donated?
- 6. Which UN Secretary-General referred to his position as "the most impossible job on this earth?"
- 7. Where was the first meeting of the UN General Assembly held?
- 8. Who was the first American working at the United Nations to receive the Nobel Peace Prize?
- 9. Which Article of the UN Charter uses the word "peacekeeping" to describe military action taken in preservation of international peace and security?

Tiebreaker Question: What were the first names of Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjold's two brothers?

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## The AMUN Trivia Contest Advocate Reflections of ICJ

Discussion with the Advocates: Nauru v. Australia

### **FATOUMATTA SAGNIA**

IPD Reporter

"We will win this case," were the words of Advocate Mike O'Shea of Australia on the International Court of Justice (ICJ) hearing versus Nauru this morning, 18 of November 2001 in the Comiskey Room.

Advocate Sara Ababneh of Nauru presented a strong case before the World Court. She said, "50% of Nauru land is uninhabitable because of the amount of Phosphate deposits mined by Australia. The costs of damage were estimated to be \$73 million by Nauru, and the resources were running out due to the exploitation by Australia."

In addition, Advocates Mike O'Shea, Hadley Sharp, and Justin Johns of Australia said, "It is not the sole responsibility of Australia because Australia in partnership with New Zealand and Great Britain established the British Phosphate Commissioners as three nations. It is therefore not fair for Australia to bare all the costs." They also added that they have Nauru's best interests at heart, and in the past had offered some sort of reparations, which Nauru turned down.

Ababneh disagreed because "Australia has to find a solution to Nauru's problem because they gained the most out of BPC [British Phosphate Committee]. They were after their own self- interests and it was time to pay up!"

O'Shea, Sharp and Johns rebutted that the Preliminary Hearings should be declared inadmissible because "the ICJ cannot bring guilt unto countries that have not been involved in the case." The ICJ will render its decision tonight at 8:10 pm.

### **ROUNDUP FROM 3**

regional rather than national programs be implemented. Eighty percent of Sudan's work force is in the agricultural sector. South Africa explained, "we support the first resolution because it is written by people directly affected" by the problem Sub-Saharan plaguing Africa. In addition, the Republic of Benin, Mexico, the People's Republic of China and Angola urged governments and non-governmental organizations to work together to contribute generously to the goals of the Convention to Combat Desertification (CCD).

The second block, comprising many of the more developed nations, namely

the United States, Japan, Canada, the United Kingdom along with Brazil and Venezuela, took special notice of the need for monitoring the proper allocation of any aid. Canada requested that "bi-annual reports be distributed by the countries receiving monetary funds to donor countries."

The United States was very busy throughout most of the sessions, supporting the effort to bring the second resolution to the floor. "The U.S as a donor country is willing to continue to help affected countries," expressed the Honorable American Representative, "the resolution we are proposing is the best solution to [these] problems."

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- There is now a Representative Message Board located at the Conference Services Desk. Feel free to use the Board to leave messages for your fellow Representatives.
- Remember that you must wear your credentials at all times while in the hotel. However, it is very important to take off your credentials before you leave the hotel. Wearing your credentials outside the Hotel brands you as a tourist, and could cause some problems.
- The smoking area during Conference is on the Concourse Level outside of the Wrigley Room. To get there, take the escalators up one level from the Regency Ballroom/Main Conference Level. Please respect those Representatives who choose not to smoke by observing these instructions.
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- Please observe diplomatic courtesy during conference hours; turn all pagers and wireless phones to the silent setting, and mute your laptop computer volume.
- For information on "What there is to do" in Chicago, please see Conference Services.

## Additional Session for High School MUN Organizers! Monday 1-2 pm

Model UN and the United Nations Association - How the UNA can help groups who run High School MUN Conferences

The United Nations Association (UNA) of the USA provides an Education and Model UN Department which focuses on assisting Model UN participants and conferences. At the beginning of the free afternoon on Monday, Dr. Lucia Rodriguez and Ms. Glenda Tessalona of UNA will hold a forum on how UNA can help your program. Many schools participating in AMUN hold their own conferences for high schools around their college/university, and this forum will focus on resources UNA can provide to high school conferences.

The session is scheduled from 1:00 - 2:00 pm on Monday in the Columbian Room and will include a light lunch.

## HELP WANTED

### **Interested in Joining Staff?**

Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) seeking Representatives interested in joining a fun, hard working group of individuals to help with an annual Conference.

Qualifications include, but are not limited to:

- Must be hard working
- · Willing to have fun
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If you meet these qualifications, please see any Staff member with a blue badge, or pick up an application at Conference Services.



The AMUN Secretariat during Registration. As a part of the Staff you have the opportunity to work hard and have fun too!

- Secretariat of AMUN International

## -AMUN Personals-

Submit your diplomatically courteous personals to the AMUN IPD office in the Atlanta Room.

### To the AMUN Staff:

I would like to invite you to "The Opening," an event 18 years in the making, Sunday night, close of business.

- Shannon

Brian, Carrie, Paul, Mary Beth, Erin and Adam: My staff is better than yours was!

To my wittle MB, OUCH!

- Swatekian

Time to unleash the "girls."

The lineage of the AMUN crush: SD, GEA, JH, ?? successors??

- Apply to Erin

If you'll be Joanie, I'll be Cha-Chi.

Volunteers needed as counselors for Chicago-based Tourette Syndrome camp to work with children for five days in July 2002. Great fun & rewards. 773.465.7536 or e-mail scott63@prodigy.net

S.W.M. (Single White Manufacturer) looking for freedom from oppressive capitalist class; enjoys working for the benefit of my fellow worker, cutting down trees & mining tin, big fan of Thai food, SPICY! Give me a call 555.4444.

Most kissable girl: Sarah.

Egypt - We feel your pain. I'll have some tissue for you next time

- 1956 HSC Staff.

Governors State University-Have a great conference! (Can't wait for you to join us on Staff!) - Erin, Luke, Lisa & Erica

Do you have your costume yet?

I'm taking the afternoon off for a little love jaunt.

To the Russian ECOSOC hotties: Tonight, 10 pm? You know the place. We'll enjoy some cocktails, dim the lights and have our own private dance party. Don't be late! Love, your Bed Buddies

## **Press Releases & Statements**

The following statements are submitted by individual Member States and do not reflect the views of IPD.

### Ecuador, 6th Cmte

Currently, the Sixth Committee is discussing economic trade sanctions. Three major resolutions have surfaced through caucusing, one sponsored by the Asian Bloc, another backed by the European Union and the last pushed by Singapore and other nations.

Representatives are now involved in an attempt to consolidate the three resolutions so that economic sanctions can be voted on and the issue of ICC may be brought to the floor. Integral in this process have been the honorable Representative Ashley Reynolds from North Korea and representatives from France, Germany, Laos, Ecuador, Singapore, Benin, Pakistan and the United States of America.

### Lao People's Democratic Republic, 2nd Cmte

While impressed with the progress of the 2nd Committee on debt relief, we are still quite disappointed. It seems that the committee is addressing the ends of the problem, not the means. The debt crisis of the world, and the growing distance

between the wealthy and the poor is a result of the world being corrupted by the evils of capitalism. What we are seeing with the debt crisis is just a hint of the eventual fall of the capitalist elite to the glorious revolution of the workers. Unfortunately, we are experiencing great difficulty in convincing many other countries of the rationale of this knowledge.

### Algeria, 6th Cmte

It is clear that economic sanctions in a revised format have the general support of the 6th Committee. Algeria however has joined the minority of Member States which oppose using economic sanctions for international manipulation. Three recent cases of failed sanctions in Libya, Iraq and Cuba serve as evidence that using these means for international influence serves only to further impoverish and degrade the general condition of that nation which suffers from economic depression. In addition to this, third party states may also suffer greatly from economic depression, as a result of misdirected economic sanctions. Algeria sees a contradiction between the Human Rights Declaration and the use of economic sanctions. The spirit of the UN and the oppressive nature of sanctions cannot coexist. For this reason China, Morocco, Mauritius, Iran, Algeria and 20 plus other nations are drafting a resolution which if implemented would relieve the oppression of Iraqi sanctions among others.

Algeria wishes to change the current dynamic of sanction use. Note all current sanctions imposed by the UN are directed at developing countries. This destroys any chance that these countries might one day prosper. Respectfully, Algeria

You're doing a great job Ireland! Hang in there and keep up the good work.

## On Monday Night We All Get Tuckered Out

But make sure to stay awake for the Representative Costume Dance!

We'll be partying the night away at the annual AMUN Representative Dance in Crystal Ballroom B on Monday night, 19 November 2001. Note that this is a room change from the printed Conference Program.

### THIS YEAR'S THEME IS "COSTUME PARTY."

If you forgot to bring a costume, we can help you get started with some costume ideas of our own - a table of costume accessories will be available at the door, or you can use items from your room to get your costume going.

The Dance will last from 10:00 p.m. until 3:00 a.m. Be sure to wear your Representative credentials, or you will not be allowed entrance into the Ballroom.

The AMUN Representative Dance is free of charge for all AMUN Representatives, Advisors, Secretariat and Guests. Come mingle with your fellow AMUN participants and enjoy our last night together!