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 American Model United Nations United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

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SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION:	Implementing the Goals and Objectives of Convention Plus
SUBMITTED TO:	The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
SUBMITTED BY:	Bolivia
The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees	
<i>Deeply disturbed</i> by the growing numbers of internally displaced persons worldwide,	
Alarmed by the lack of attention currently given,	
<i>Fully aware</i> of the issue of sovereignty as described under Article II Section I in the United Nations Charter,	
Recalling the "Guiding Principles on Internal Displacement",	
1. <i>Encourages</i> member states to adopt the following as a legal definition of an Internally Displaced Person: "Internal displaced persons are persons who have been forced or obliged to flee or to leave their homes or places of habitual residence, in particular as a result of or in order to avoid the effects of armed conflict, violations of human rights or natural disasters, and who have not crossed an internationally recognized state border;"	
2. <i>Reminds</i> member states of their legal obligations under international humanitarian and human rights laws to provide assistance and protection to their citizens;	
3. <i>Welcomes</i> member states, who may be deemed subject to this definition, to request assistance through UNHCR.	

Passed, Yes: 15 / No: 9 / Abstain: 4