



American Model United Nations  
**Fourth Committee**

GA 4th/I/6

SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Comprehensive Review of Peacekeeping Operations  
in all Their Aspects

SUBMITTED TO: The Fourth Committee

SUBMITTED BY: United Arab Emirates, Syrian Arab Republic

*The Fourth Committee*

1           *Recalling* Security Council resolution 1325, which calls attention to the adverse  
2 effects of armed conflict on civilians, particularly the offenses against women and girls,  
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4           *Further recalling* resolution 1325, which emphasizes the harmful impact of armed  
5 conflict on women and girls, and the negative consequences on peace processes that  
6 would otherwise significantly contribute to the maintenance and promotion of internal  
7 peace and security,  
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9           *Noting* with regret the neglect of peacekeeping operations in accommodating the  
10 special needs of women and girls,  
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12           *Bearing in mind* that women in conflict areas are especially vulnerable to abuse,  
13 including unethical actions taken by delinquent peacekeeping operations personnel, as  
14 well all persons involved in conflict,  
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16           *Alarmed* by the fact that despite multiple resolutions, including but not limited to  
17 Resolution 60/289, 59/444, passed in order to curb the continual sexual exploitation and  
18 abuse of women, this abuse continues to occur,  
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20           *Aware* of the 2005 report of the Special Committee, which notes the close  
21 cooperation between the Department of Peacekeeping Operations and the Office of  
22 Internal Oversight Services in the handover of all investigations for misconduct  
23 allegations, including sexual exploitation and abuse, to the Office of Internal Oversight  
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26           *Distressed* by use of the act of rape as a tool of warfare and the subsequent fleeing  
27 of women from their homes due to this threat,  
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29           1. *Expresses* the belief that it is imperative for actions to be taken toward the  
30 protection of women during armed conflict from all exploitative and harmful acts, not  
31 excluding those committed by United Nations peacekeeping personnel;

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2. *Strongly urges* Member States to work in conjunction with the Office of Internal Oversight Service to ensure that evidence collected satisfies international jurisdictional requirements. The following points will help ensure that States hold their troops culpable for all misconduct:

- (a) the Internal Oversight Service will share their investigations and conclusions to the Member States that contribute troops
- (b) the Office of Internal Oversight will issue official reprimands of perpetrators in front of the international community to combat State inaction and affirm accountability;

3. *Avows* that potential sexual abuse and exploitation of women and girls can be further decreased by:

- (a) increasing the number of female personnel in peacekeeping operations, especially situations in which the peacekeeping mandate involves the protection of women.
- (b) instruction of United Nations procedures, focusing on rules of conduct and especially the application of a zero tolerance policy of persons involved in peacekeeping operations, provided by their respective State;

4. *Supports* the work of Nonprofit Organizations such as the International Rescue Committee (IRC) in providing camps which serve as a haven of women who have fled their homes during armed conflict, examples include the situation in Sierra Leone, Liberia and Darfur;

5. *Suggests* that the Department of Peacekeeping Operations (DPKO) increase protection of women during armed conflict through integration with organizations such as the IRC, by:

- (a) creating more safe havens for women and children who have fled their homes.
- (b) providing security for these camps to ensure that the women are protected from attempts of abuse from possible aggressors.
- (c) providing counseling programs for women and child who have been abused in order to help these survivors cope and heal.

Passed, Yes: 78 / No: 7 / Abstain: 16