



American Model United Nations
Second Committee

GA 2nd/I/1

SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Preventing and Combating Corrupt Practices and Transfer of Assets of Illicit Origin and Returning such Assets, in particular to the Countries of Origin, Consistent with the United Nations Convention against Corruption

SUBMITTED TO: The Second Committee

SUBMITTED BY: Portugal, Spain, United Kingdom, and Estonia

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1 *Affirming* Article 2, Section 1 of the United Nations Charter, which states that the
2 UN is based upon the principles of sovereign equality,

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4 *Recognizing* that the concern about money laundering and the transfer of assets of
5 illicit origin is a product of corruption, and stressing the need to address this concern
6 consistent with the United Nations Convention Against Corruption (UNCAC),

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8 *Further recognizing* that fighting corruption at all levels is a priority and that
9 corruption is a serious barrier to effective resource mobilization and allocation and diverts
10 resources away from activities vital to the provision of public services,

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12 *Reaffirming* our commitment to the Stolen Assets Recovery Initiative (StARI), the
13 United Nations Office on Drug and Crime (UNDOC), and the Financial Action Task
14 Force (FATF),

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16 *Emphasizing* the need for all Member States to actively work to combat corrupt
17 practices,

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19 *Urging* all Member States to continue their previous commitments to combat the
20 widespread corruption in developing states,

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22 *Recalling* the United Nations General Assembly Resolution 63/226 that affirms
23 the need to prevent and combat the transfer of illicit assets and corruption,

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25 *Further recalling* the Paris Declaration, which describes the need for mutual
26 accountability and transparency for a strong international framework,

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28 *Noting with concern* that the StAR Initiative's mandate is set to expire by the end

29 of the year,

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31 *Concerned* that the Financial Action Task Force currently only meets once every
32 five years, and believing that this is not sufficient to meet the complex challenges of the
33 corruption in global economy,

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35 *Approving* the Monterey Consensus of the International Conference on Financing
36 for Development, which underlined that fighting corruption at all levels is a priority,

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38 *Desiring* more cooperation between all Member States to prevent and combat
39 corrupt practices, while recognizing that there are regional differences that may hinder
40 said cooperation,

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42 1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General;

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44 2. *Calls upon* Member States and International Organizations to continue
45 working to identify the best possible ways forward, principle among them being ways of
46 fostering mutual trust, confidence, and strengthen cooperation;

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48 3. *Condemns* corruption in all forms, including bribery, money laundering, and
49 transfer of assets of illicit origin;

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51 4. *Urges* Member States seeking to recover stolen assets to make full use, as
52 needed, of the Star Initiative's efforts in providing assistance;

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54 5. *Calls upon* Member State to financially support, in every way feasible and in
55 accordance with their national sovereignty, the Stolen Asset Recovery Initiative;

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57 6. *Welcomes* the anti-corruption efforts that have been taking place at all levels in
58 the International Community;

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60 7. *Encourages* all Member States to participate in information sharing,
61 cooperation with Non-Governmental Organizations, and the implementation of technical
62 best practices to improve information sharing;

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64 8. *Endorses* cooperation among established regional organizations to combat
65 corruption specific to said regions, while providing accountability to both within these
66 established groups and the international community;

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68 9. *Recommends* regional and international cooperation by holding annual
69 conferences between nations to harmonize the criminal Legislation in an agreement upon
70 issues of criminalization;

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72 10. *Recommends* that the World Bank, the UNODC, and the next Conference of
73 States Parties on the United Nations Convention Against Corruption to renew and revise
74 the constitution of the StAR Initiative, as necessary for the continuation of the progress

75 currently being made by the Initiative, before its expiration;

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77 11. *Recommends* that the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) meet annually, in
78 order to facilitate greater cooperation and increase the efficiency of assessing, evaluating
79 and initiating policy both in practice and in progress.

Passed, Yes: 47 / No: 31 / Abstain: 12