

## American Model United Nations

## **General Assembly Third Committee**

GA 3rd/I/2

SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION:	Eliminating Rape and Other Forms of Sexual Violence in All Their Manifestations
SUBMITTED TO:	The General Assembly Third Committee
SUBMITTED BY:	Rwanda, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Malawi, Myanmar, Uganda
The General Assembly Third Committee	
Focusing on the issue of rape and all other forms of sexual violence in conflict areas, transcending gender, race, and economic disparities,	
Affirming the rights of women as outlined in S/RES/1820, and UNiTE to End Violence Against Women,	
Keeping in mind that sexual violence and rape are prevalent in conflict areas and natural disaster areas worldwide,	
<i>Recognizing</i> that sexual violence against women, children, and all members of society is a global issue,	
Noting that sexual violence not only affects the physical and mental health of victims, but the health and stability of societies at large,	
Observing that stigmatization often arises from being raped and reporting that rape,	
Realizing the connection between lack of education and rape and sexual violence	
<i>Reaffirming</i> the nation's inalienable and inviolable right to self-governance and sovereignty,	
Stressing that women do not have the same roles throughout the world, and that a Western view of women is only one of many and should not be treated as the one correct view,	
1. <i>Insists</i> that states designa	ated as conflict areas retain national sovereignty,

especially in regard to permitting or refusing Peacekeeper involvement;

- 31 2. *Encourages* enforcement of existing laws to counter rape and sexual violence; 32
- 33 3. *Calls for* increased gender sensitivity training of local law enforcement and United Nations Peacekeepers in conflict areas;
  - 4. *Further encourages* the appointment of women to policy-making positions, both to state-level positions and international positions within the United Nations in order to increase the gender perspective on this issue and to create a more gender-diverse workforce;
  - 5. Requests that United Nations peacekeepers provide training to state level law enforcement in conflict areas in order to better enable states to address problems of rape and sexual violence;
  - 6. *Encourages* Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs), the World Health Organization, UNIFEM, and national governments to work together to provide aid to the immediate victims of rape and sexual violence, in the form of safe treatment facilities, law enforcement resources, medical professionals, rape crisis management, and district attorneys;
  - 7. *Supports* initiatives to improve education in developing countries, including general education through age 15 and campaigns to raise awareness about the negative impact of rape and sexual violence;
  - 8. *Calls* upon member states to recognize the prominent existence of a global sexual market and that sexual trafficking occurs over many international boundaries;
  - 9. *Encourages* the use and expansion of existing frameworks to combat sexual trafficking;
  - 10. *Supports* the use of micro-financing programs to build the financial independence of individuals who have been sexually abused and to help them achieve self-empowerment in a culturally respectful way.

Passed, Yes: 48 / No: 31 / Abstain: 35