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General Assembly Third Committee

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SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Status of the Convention on the Rights of the Child as it Relates to Child Labor

SUBMITTED TO: The General Assembly Third Committee

SUBMITTED BY: The Republic of Rwanda, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Chile, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Estonia, Ethiopia, Gabon, Haiti, Myanmar, Nigeria, Syrian Arab Republic, Uganda

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- 1 *Recognizing* that child labor is often a result of poverty and conflict,
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- 3 *Understanding* that many families depend upon assistance from their children in order to
- 4 survive,
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- 6 *Aware* that education plays a major role in reducing the worst forms of child labor,
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- 8 *Stressing* that the blame for child labor does not rest upon states,
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- 10 *Discouraging* the existence of the worst forms of child labor,
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- 12 *Applauding* the work of regional Non-governmental organizations (NGOs), such
- 13 as the International Rescue Committee (IRC), to provide alternative basic education,
- 14 which provides flexible timetables for helping children in communities with high rates of
- 15 child labor,
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- 17 *Recognizing* that child labor is a global problem, and combating child labor is the
- 18 responsibility of every nation, whether developed or developing,
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- 20 *Making* note that the problem of child labor is circular, and cannot be resolved with one
- 21 universal solution, but rather depends upon a multitude of innovative ideas collaborating,
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- 23 1. *Calls upon* Member States to create their own minimum age limits for employment in
- 24 respect for national sovereignty, with respect for the Convention on the Rights of the
- 25 Child;
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- 27 2. *Encourages* Member States to establish and enforce their own national minimum

28 wage, as determined by the individual state;
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30 3. *Further encourages* states to place regulations on work environment safety and
31 maximum working hours;
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33 4. *Calls* for NGOs to provide community support and education directly to guardians and
34 children within a country, with the permission of the state;
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36 5. *Further calls for* Member States to invite NGOs to measure and evaluate, with the
37 permission of the state in which they operate, the country's compliance with the above-
38 mentioned regulations that the state has established;
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40 6. *Requests* already developed Member States and international organizations to provide
41 financial aid to the above-mentioned NGOs for education purposes;
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43 7. *Encourages* Member States to consider the recommendations of the international
44 community in regard to child labor regulations;
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46 8. *Further requests* Member States and international organizations to provide economic
47 incentives to developing countries for combating the worst forms of child labor by
48 reallocating pre-existing contributions, in exchange for voluntary regulations that
49 approach alignment with the global community's standards, as measured by NGOs such
50 as:
51 (a) United Nations International Children's Education Fund, Save the Children, and
52 regional NGOs, including the IRC.
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Passed, Yes: 65 / No: 23 / Abstain: 22