

## American Model United Nations

## **General Assembly**

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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

SUBMITTED BY: The General Assembly Third Committee

The General Assembly

Recalling the sentiments expressed within the Convention on the Rights of the Child
(CRC) and reiterating the definition of 'child' as it is given within the Convention as
persons under the age of eighteen,

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5 Deeply concerned that the current global economic crisis is causing more people to rely 6 on income from children in the workforce,

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*Noting* that most child labor traffic crosses international borders illegally and that this is an international problem requiring international response,

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*Recognizing* that economically unstable countries should be offered financial assistance to prevent them from resorting to child trafficking,

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Aware of the need for the expansion of a consolidated data collection mechanism in order to more accurately quantify the number of internationally and domestically trafficked persons to more effectively combat trafficking in persons,

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18 Encouraging United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) to oversee the special allocation 19 of funds for education, awareness programs and employment opportunities to eradicate 20 child trafficking,

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Further recognizing the role of multinational corporations in the perpetuation of child labor and trafficking, and emphasizing their potential role in solving this issue,

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Further aware of the need for expansion of existing programs that provide economic incentives to families in developing countries for sending their children to school, as this is an effective deterrent of child labor,

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29 Fully alarmed by the detrimental effects that child labor has on its victims,

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1. Calls upon member states to implement laws and enforce policies already in place

32 regarding border security;

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- 34 2. Encourages the dissemination of information about sex trafficking and the use of
- media outlets including, but not limited to, television, billboards, newspapers, magazines, 35
- 36 touring theatre groups etc to create awareness about child trafficking:

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- 38 3. *Proposes* the creation of additional, more effective economic rewards for those
- 39 countries that have demonstrated progress in the fight against international child
- 40 trafficking:
- 41 (a) UNICEF will oversee the allocation of funds
- 42 (b) These incentives would be awarded on a country-by-country basis by this committee,
- 43 to be ratified by the General Assembly
- (c) The exact nature of the reward will be determined by the committee taking into mind 44
- 45 any appeals from the country receiving the incentives.
- 46 (d) Countries will be encouraged to utilize these funds for promoting education and
- 47 employment opportunities:

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- 49 4. Applauds and supports the efforts of and expansion of those institutions that provide
- 50 vocation and educational aid to children in high risk areas of both sale and abuse of child
  - trafficking into the sex-trade industry;

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- 53 5. *Promotes* the creation and expansion of existing programs such as United Nations
- 54 Global Initiative to Fight Human Trafficking (UN.GIFT), Convention on the Rights of the
- 55 Child (CRC) and International Labor Organization (ILO) to provide for the financial
- needs of education for child-trafficking victims with regard for promoting specific 56
- 57 funding to be used for educational benefits for child-trafficking victims;

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- 59 6. Strongly encourages the expansion of already universal data collection mechanism in
- 60 order to more accurately quantify the number of internationally and domestically
- 61 trafficked persons to more effectively combat trafficking in persons, while noting that
- 62 sovereignty of countries will be respected and the data collection mechanisms will only
- 63 be initiated after consent of countries, however voluntary reports will be highly
- 64 encouraged;

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- 7. Supports the strengthening of existing mechanisms already in place by entities such as 66
- UNICEF, ILO and UN.GIFT which are in charge of monitoring international child 67
- 68 trafficking practices;

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- 70 8. Applauds and supports the efforts of all nations who are monitoring the impact of
- 71 child-trafficking within their borders and promotes financial support to help countries
- 72 profiting from child-trafficking to provide state run border control, data collection and
- 73 victim rehabilitation.

Passed, Yes: 53 / No: 33 / Abstain: 26