



## CSW Focuses on Women's Health

by Elfego Chavez

The CSW began the day with both representatives of Eritrea speaking about their working paper, which was officially supported by Belgium, Colombia, Germany, Israel and Namibia, but had the support of the majority of the commission. Several representatives questioned the emphasis on HIV/AIDS specifically instead of relating to the responsibilities between men and women. Their call to create a new body for women currently working within the UN prompted speakers, including the representatives of the Republic of Korea, to protest. The paper had one clause addressing the needs of most delegations, but it was not submitted in time for official consideration.

The two mid-day

draft resolutions approved for development are CSW/I/1 submitted by Mauritania, and CSW/I/2 submitted by the Russian Federation and the United States of America. The first focuses on the lack of employment opportunities for women and their gender roles in society and cultures. The second emphasizes the gender inequality of women as caregivers for HIV/AIDS victims and restrictions on their pursuit of higher education.

In the evening, CSW/I/3 and CSW/I/4 were approved as well.

Lastly, the commission went on to discuss topic two about women's equal participation in conflict prevention, management and conflict resolution and in post-conflict peace building, but returned to the discussion of HIV/AIDS after little progress was made.

## IAEA Fuels WMD Suspicions

by Louie Cathemer

In a closely contested procedural vote Sunday evening, the IAEA elected to suspend debate on the nuclear fuel cycle and to begin debate on Iran's nuclear program. At the time of the vote, at least five unofficial draft resolutions and one unofficial draft report on the fuel cycle were under review by the rapporteurs. Caucusing blocs continued to develop their existing fuel cycle working papers, juggling two topics at once.

Representative Justin Beaudrie of Chile said most of the working papers on

the fuel cycle were near completion, so it was time for the agency to begin a new debate. After two draft resolutions reached the floor and a draft report neared completion, the agency returned to the fuel cycle topic to debate the draft documents.

Several representatives were against switching topics from the start. Representative Shehzad Merchant of Indonesia said the discussion had become "an Israel-bashing session," referring to the suspicions that Israel possesses nuclear weapons yet escapes scrutiny by the IAEA.

## GA Plen Begins to Talk on Resolutions

By Mario Garciduenas

The Democratic Republic of Congo quickly moved on Sunday night to bring its draft resolution to the floor. Being the first resolution available, the rest of the committee voted in favor of this motion. One hour later, the draft resolution was tabled.

After a 15-minute caucus, the committee brought resolution II/2 to the floor. The resolution was submitted by Haiti, Djibouti, the Central African Republic and Nepal. "Our resolution is about sustainability" said Repre-

sentative Jennifer Cunningham of Djibouti, "sustainability that involves employment increase through skill-set education." Cunningham added that while in some countries it's about teaching a specific skill set, like agriculture, in others it may vary.

Strong supporters of this resolution include Namibia, Australia, the European Union bloc, Finland and the Czech Republic. The US delegation said they feel they can support the resolution, but said they would like to see their names on the draft resolution.

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## HSC to Send Protection to Rwanda

by Toni Boger

Representatives of Pakistan and New Zealand announced the passage of Resolution HSC/1 and the establishment of a protective force in the Rwanda conflict Sunday afternoon.

Representative Jared Palonis of New Zealand said the resolution creates a program which aims to contain the conflict, control the flow of refugees in the region and end the suffering of those involved.

The force will have 80 observers and 500 troops for the purpose of a protective mission.

Both Palonis and Representative Sophia

Chen of Pakistan said they were disappointed that a subclause was removed from the resolution. The subclause would have ensured that more troops could be sent to the region if the protective force reported the violence to be worse.

“This resolution remedies the situation for now,” Palonis said. “We can address the situation later if it worsens.”

Chen said she hopes that the governments in Uganda and Rwanda will cooperate with the UN’s protective force.

“Both governments have sent letters to the Security Council asking for help,” she said. “We hope to come to a peaceful resolution.”

## Court Asks Jurisdictional Questions in Georgia v. Russia

by Louis Cathemer

In questioning the petitioners during the opening arguments of Georgia v. Russia, Justices West and Gideon both asked Advocate Sylvia Prepniewski for Georgia about the nation’s attempts to resolve its dispute with Russia through alternate venues. Advocate Prepniewski indicated that Georgia had unsuccessfully tried to resolve the dispute directly with Russia, but they had not presented a case to the Committee of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of

Racial Discrimination (CERD).

Advocate Brett Barnes and Ben Stoltman for Russia claimed that Georgia has not tried to resolve the dispute directly with Russia or through CERD and therefore ICJ should refuse to rule on the case.

Georgia claimed that Russia violated the CERD during and after Russia’s military operations in South Ossetia and Abkhazia in 2008. Russia claimed that its peacekeeping forces only acted in self-defense after a military assault by Georgia into the two regions.

## Elevator Traffic

*The Good, Bad and Ugly*

by Zac Hale

In the fast-paced world of AMUN, representatives are acutely aware of the time it takes to travel from room to room in the Hilton. Though intra-floor travel is facilitated by multiple staircases on the hotel’s lower levels, anyone seeking to ascend beyond the eighth floor is faced with the challenge of elevator navigation.

The Hilton’s elevator system has a setup similar to that of the CTA, wherein travelers must plan ahead to switch elevator lines at various floor stops in order to reach their final destination without tackling flights of stairs. For instance, if a representative staying on the 11th floor needs to meet for informal caucusing on the 14th floor, they will probably have a hefty layover on the ominous 13th floor. Representatives often bond over the shared suffering of waiting for an elevator on one of these transitional floors, as the lifts come infrequently on the upper levels. Unfortunately, the elevators are not very good spaces for caucusing; the combination of packed bodies and Nancy Grace does not lend itself to diplomatic interaction.

## PERSONAL ADS

I’m so glad I’m not in charge so I can just be happy to see you.

BSC MUN,  
I [<3] U guys!!!  
:-) Love, your biggest fan :-)

JMW, You’re the best person we know. You have brought US together, and made a family. Love, V,J,S, G,S,L,M,D,G,Z,E

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