



American Model United Nations
General Assembly Plenary

GA/II/3

SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Global Initiative to Fight Human Trafficking

SUBMITTED TO: The General Assembly Plenary

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1 *Reaffirming* the fact that trafficking in persons is not only a modern form of
2 slavery but also a crime against humanity,

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4 *Recognizing* the imperative need for coordinated, multilateral cooperation
5 targeting supply, demand and transit point interdiction,

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7 *Fully alarmed* by the fact that the demand for exploitative labor services and
8 sexual services in particular results in the primary market for trafficked persons,

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10 *Strongly* believing in the need to target the demand for persons as sexual
11 commodities,

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13 *Emphasizing* that this must be treated as a human rights and public health issue
14 which primarily exploits women and children,

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16 *Drawing attention to* the need for preventative measures which focus on
17 awareness,

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19 *Fully supporting* the United Nations Convention against Organized Crime and the
20 additional Protocol to Prevent, Suppress, and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially
21 Women and Children,

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23 *Commending* the progress made by the Working Group on Trafficking in Persons
24 Areas for Future Work,

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26 *Noting with deep concern* however, that this work did not explicitly address a
27 framework for demand reduction,

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29 1. *Strongly recommends* that Member States formulate domestic legislation that
30 criminalizes human trafficking and prescribes stringent penalties for trafficking,
31 especially if the offender is found to be a part of a criminal organization;

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33 2. *Strongly urges* Member States to ratify the Convention against Organized
34 Crime and its additional Protocol to Prevent, Suppress, and Punish Trafficking in
35 Persons, Especially Women and Children in order to cooperatively expand upon the
36 framework provided;

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38 3. *Further recommends* the creation of a review mechanism that would catalog
39 and make available reliable information on the implementation of the Convention against
40 Organized Crime;

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42 4. *Encourages* preventative approaches through establishing educational and
43 philanthropic organizations to increase awareness especially in countries deeply affected
44 by this issue;

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46 5. *Further requests* the General Assembly Plenary to task the Working Group on
47 Trafficking in Persons to:

48 (a) Assess Member State demand reduction strategies that criminalize sex buyers
49 to determine whether there is an evidence-based rationale to international best
50 practices;

51 (b) Make these best practices available to states upon request;

52 (c) Provide capacity building expertise to facilitate implementation of best
53 practices.

Passed, Yes: 38 / No: 27 / Abstain: 28