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Committee on the Agenda

Your chance to set the topics to be discussed at the 2012 AMUN Conference happens on Tuesday at 11:00 am in Michigan A&B.

Top 5 Press Releases for the UN Australia - GA Sixth

The Russian Federation, Australia, New Zealand, and the United States of America, along with additional Member States, are currently hard at work on a draft resolution that will advance beneficial solutions for injurious consequences arising out of acts not prohibited by international law. We aim to fully respect state sovereignty while adequately dealing with the concerns of Member States. We hope to involve as many Member States as possible in the drafting of our resolution.

Greece - ECE

The Hellenic Republic believes that the current discussion of an IMF bailout fund is not in the best interest of the global community. While Austria, Bosnia, and Spain believe an imperialist bailout is the route to go, the honorable Hellenic Republic affirms that foreign direct investment is more efficient and creates greater incentives for all parties involved. Bailouts riddled with forced austarity measures have been detrimental to the recovery of our Republics ecomony, therefore another useless bailout fund will hinder rather than support the economies of debt ladened nations.

Latvia - GA First

A Latvia wants to congratulate all Member States for their work thus far. We commend the amount of work put into the resolutions and reports so far and that which is still to come. Latvia would like to compels all Member States to continue to work hard towards promoting consensus. Latvia would like to call attention to the committees that have already passed resolutions and published reports. Congratulations and keep up the good work.

Greece - ECE

4 Greece is a fervant supporter of foreign direct investment. Unfortunately, several delagates have hijacked the discussion to focus soly on giving imperialistic bailouts. These countries include: Bosnia, Sweden, Austria, and Spain. These countries, while insignificant in power, have successfuly shifted the debate, and are holding real ideas, such as the Greek foreign investment plan hostage. Until these relentless displays of bloviating ignorance subside, real issues, like the Greek foreign investment plan will never see the light of day on the conference floor. Greece has no intension of recieving bailout money ladened with forced imperialistic austerity measures. The foreign investment model works, and it is imperative that this model replaces any sort of new bailout funds.

Palestine - Delegation

5 Palestine is discouraged by the deliberate inaction by the Security Council considering the Palestinian Membership Application. Palestine believes that this plea by the citizens of Palestine should receive high priority in this international body. We hold the highest hope that the Security Council will make the time to consider this Application for Full Membership and advance it to the General Assembly Plenary Session.

Delegation Lottery

The AMUN Delegation lottery will be held on Monday, 21 November at 11:30 am in Michigan A&B. Don't miss the lottery!



Home to great food, amazing museums, historic sports teams, shopping attractions and more. Chicago is one the greatest cities in the world.

Free Monday Afternoon!

Go and Visit the City

There is lots to do and see in Chicago. What Adventures are you going on?

By Darren Meeker

IPD Reporter

After an intense day of discussions on Sunday and four-and-a half-hours on Monday morning, a five-hour break from committee is much appreciated by all. With so many places to go and activities to do in Chicago, representatives all have a different approach

to their break.

Some schools are giving their representatives the option of doing whatever they choose on their break. Alina Raulinaitis, who is from Bowling Green State University and is representing Switzerland, and Adam Madison, who is from Western Kentucky University, both stated that they were given free time to do what they want. They both have plans to go with their friends to museums, parks, malls and explore Chicago. Other schools, such as Northern

Diplomatic Courtesy

By Benjamin Theobald IPD Reporter

Diplomatic courtesy is a key aspect for representatives who wish to pass resolutions in the Economic and Social Council. Representative Sam Ghani of Mauritius said he has been working very hard with Cote d'Ivoire to get all the countries' opinions. Ghani said that talking to countries like Australia and Zimbabwe is beneficial. According to Ghani, "the more opinions you have, the more sensitive you'll

be to other cultures and have the overall diplomatic courtesy this body requires." Ghani thinks that the ECOSOC has been one of the most polite committees he's been a part of: "We have not had a single issue of somebody overstepping the boundaries." Representative Nathanial Hoge of Slovakia believes that some representatives are playing their part in ECOSOC and are undermining resolutions in their agenda based on their countries' interests. Hoge is working on a resolution

that would build a school in Slovakia for the purposes of training individuals from developing countries to be educators so they can go back to their countries and continue as educators. Hoge believes that Japan is opposing the resolution because of its belief that Slovakia is attempting to build a single school that will only be beneficial to Slovakia. Hoge stated, "They feel that we are too centralized."

Illinois University, have things

planned for their students. The

students from Northern Illinois

are representing Canada here at

Model UN, and they plan to visit

the Canadian consulate during

Many representatives mentioned

that sleeping and homework

would be a large part of their af-

ternoon. No matter how people

utilize the time for break, many

are looking forward to it and

agree that a break is needed.

their break.

Representative Dance

The Dance will be held in the Lower Level Exhibition Hall at 10:00 pm this evening. Dress in your PJs and come get your groove on.

Personal Ads

Malort is evidence that AMUN Staff has failed to learn the lessons of World War I.

Dear Two, If mouth-to-mouth resuscitation is necessary, please contact Six.

> Hey "L" Ladies... You are rock stars! Always, N

Shout out to the best Rapps! Love, CSD Chairs

Best Committee CSD! Keep up the good work!

Honorable Director of Special Rapporteurs, you are awesome!

-Your Favorite Commission

Tea is delightful Fragrant, hot, and wonderful. Thank you, Chair of Leaves

COURAGE!!!!

Keep Moving Forward!
-Walt Disney

My head hurts...

Making up personal ads to fill space is taxing and not as much fun as it could be.

Ruben, love, purple \neq pink. Rock it like a bear.

The republic of Sudan would like to invite willing parties to come upstairs and take their socks off.

To SC Trainer: You remain, my pleasure, my power, my pain! Lil' Shaker



Nigeria

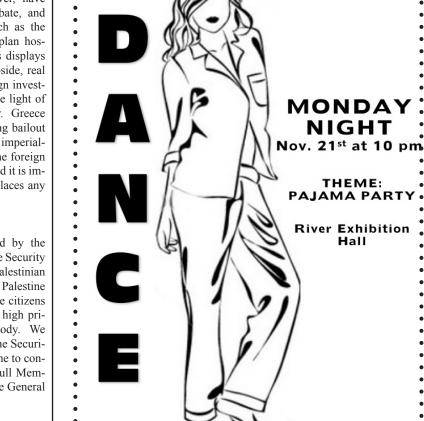
Security Council

The African Union members of the contemporary Security Council formally request the UN Security Council to provide formal assistance with peacekeeping in the state of Somalia. The situation in Somalia has grown to affect many of the states in the United Nations and is threatening both the stability of the region and the economies of many other states. Gabon, Nigeria, and South Africa ask that the UN provide peacekeeping troops and aid in the form of humanitarian services to promote stability and security of the world as a whole.

Palestine

Delegation

In accordance with Rule 135 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Assembly and Rule 59 of the Provision Rules of Procedure of the Security Council, Palestine has submitted its request to become a full member of the United Nations. The Secretary General has accepted our documents and we are looking forward to the Security Council debate.



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Committee Updates: This Day History Will Remember Us By?

By Jordan Sarchett Security Council

The representatives of the contemporary Security Council have passed two resolutions concerning the issues of piracy and terrorism in Somalia. Both resolutions call for increased peace-keeping forces in the region, both on the ground and in international waters.

The representatives have since been discussing matters concerning the nuclear power of Iran. The IAEA estimates that Iran has the nuclear ability to create weapons and deliver them beyond the Red Sea. Security Council resolutions are being drafted in order to prevent an imminent catastrophe.

By Leyla Falhan HSC 2003

The Historical Security Council of 2003 started its debate on Sunday afternoon with Kurdistan's update on the situation in northern Iraq. Then, Bulgaria-sponsored resolution HSC-2003/1, which recognized that humanitarian aid and funding were not the Historical Security Council's concern, passed by 9-1-5. At press time, representatives were discussing the resolution put forward by France and Spain, which had been drafted before they learned all UN inspectors in Iraq were expelled by Saddam Hussein. Representative Matt Schousen of France said, "This is a great resolution towards global peace. Removing it from the floor as the United States suggested would be a waste of time and would be unfair to its sponsors."

By Marcus Taylor GA First Committee

The representatives of the First Committee have chosen to continue the discussion of Practical Steps Towards Disarmament by voting down against a limit on the topic, which would have ended debate on Sunday evening, by a vote of 27/47/12. This decision was prompted by both a motivation to explore the topic of SALW disarmament fully and the desire to avoid shortchanging this topic by performing a simple topical examination of both topics. The representatives are currently debating draft resolution 1st/II/1 and have passed three amendments thus far.

By Samuel Krischenheiter GA Second Committee

The General Assembly Second Committee on economic and financial issues has begun discussion of Resolution 2nd/I/1. Although this resolution does not demand funding from Member States, it requests money in the hopes of providing microcredit opportunities to a wider array of developing nations. The Representatives of Japan declared a press conference to address their resolution, which included a commission of sub-committees to further analyze the issues. Further news on the results of this resolution will be forthcoming.

By Stephanie Warner GA Third Committee

The Third Committee was busy on Sunday night when it passed two resolutions. The first resolution, GA 3rd/I/1, passed by consensus with 42 abstaining. It asks that the GA establish a "knowledge-based United Nations multilateral body consisting of educational programs, specialists, up-to-date technology, and infrastructural development." It also addresses, among other topics, the right to land, as well as the desire for reduced dependence on each sovereign Nation in the agricultural sector. The second resolution, GA 3rd/I/2, passed with a vote of 54/15/34. It heavily emphasizes the importance of NGOs in "ameliorating the difficulties faced in food distribution."

By Darren Meeker GA Sixth Committee

Sunday was a very productive day in the Sixth Committee. The afternoon and night sessions proved to be worth the time spent caucusing in the morning. During the afternoon session, one resolution failed to pass. Another, pertaining to the elimination of chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs) from use, including recyclables, passed. Additionally there is a third on the floor that discusses who is liable for trans-boundary injurious acts. Along with these three resolutions, there are two more awaiting consideration.

By Ted Goodman WHA

In what has turned into a race against the clock, The World Health Assembly continues to work on two separate reports pertaining to major health issues facing the globe today. Representative Andrew Ziegler of Australia was very critical of the current direction of the committee: "My honest opinion is that this committee has lost sight of the topics at hand." Representative Ziegler not only criticized the process, but also a large portion of the nations in the room, "The developing nations are attempting to bully the developed world, and obviously that won't lead to results." Representative Sutikshna Veeravalli of the United States shared some of the same feelings as Australia, but would not go so far as to say that the developing nations were actively engaged in "bullying" tactics. Representative Cara Overweg of Latvia offered the following warning: "Discussions are going better than they were at the beginning, but I am not sure we will meet the deadline; it's going to be tough."

By Stephanie Warner

The Commission on Sustainable Development (CSD) passed Resolution CSD/I/2 on Sunday night on the topic of "Sustainable Agriculture and Rural Development." This resolution addresses transportation, infrastructure, fresh water, local and international agricultural development, irrigation, sustainability, modern technology, technology sharing and the participation of the International Water Management Institute. Deliberations continue in regard to the other aspects of sustainable agricultural development, including the Education Subcommittee and the International Subcommittee. The next resolution to be debated will be about finance, with a focus on micro and macro financing, investment and tax beneficiaries.

By Benjamin Theobald **ECOSOC**

The Economic and Social Council passed Resolution ECOSOC/I/6 by consensus, allowing gender neutrality and free

primary education. The resolution highlighted the following: the eradication of poverty, reducing child mortality, achieving gender equality, encouraging sustainable development and fostering peace and democracy. According to Representative Chris Breznau of the Russian Federation, "It will put education on the forefront and will encourage the greater good."

By Ted Goodman **ICJ**

The International Court of Justice (ICJ) announced its ruling in the case of Australia v. Japan. Australia brought the case before the ICJ, alleging that Japan was not adhering to the International Convention on the Regulation of Whaling (ICRW). The court ruled in favor of Japan, citing the vague nature of the language in the ICRW and the lack of defined regulations. Justice Nicole Mercier simply stated, "It came down to the strict legality of the issue."

Australia was very disappointed in the Court's ruling, stating that the court did not address the arguments presented both written and orally. Japan was satisfied with the ruling, reiterating its stance all along that they are, and always were, adhering to international

By Hillary Thronton General Assembly Plenary

On Sunday, 20 November 2011, the General Assembly Plenary brought draft resolution GA Plen/I/1 to the floor with a 58/13/24 vote. This resolution "reaffirms the most contemporary methods of drug control established in A/RES/64/182." South Africa chose to bring this draft to the floor and stated that they are fully on board with the ongoing activities within GA/Plen/I/1. The resolution emphasizes upholding the sovereignty of all Member States and encourages an increase in communication among Member States about specific factors related to each of their unique drug-control problems. Also, this resolution "[e]ndorses the creation of voluntary bilateral, regional, and international cooperatives aimed at countering

the world drug problem more effectively, and promoting relationships between Member States to fight their individual drug control problem."

An attempt to close debate on GA Plen/I/1 and move it into the voting phase failed with a vote of 14/46/38. As the debate continued, Bahrain addressed the prominent issue with this resolution among representatives, which is its vagueness. Representative Danielle Didier of Bahrain argued that the vagueness is actually a strength for this resolution. Representative Didier said, "We realize that the world drug problem varies from state to state and that is why we are vague. So that each member state can take it and use it how they see it best fit for themselves, who they represent, and those around them."

The GA went into a 45-minute caucus just after 3:00 pm Sunday afternoon. When the representatives returned, Representative John Luis of Gabon immediately made a motion to adjourn debate of GA Plen/I/1 stating, "This resolution doesn't have specifics. There are resolutions out there that have much better depth and come to the forefront of the problem." This motion failed by a vote of 29/35/31, and the debate of GA Plen/I/1 remained on the floor.

It did not take long after this motion for another motion to be brought to the floor. This time it was a motion for closure of debate, which would move the resolution into the voting stage. There was a strong majority in favor for this with the vote showing 83/1/3. A roll call vote was then taken, and a vote of 33/35/35 was tallied. Resolution GA Plen/I/1 failed and remains in discussion.

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By Shane Franklin IPD Reporter

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