

American Model United Nations

General Assembly Plenary (Concurrent)

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SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION:	Strengthening Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice
	Responses to Violence Against Women

SUBMITTED TO: The General Assembly Plenary (Concurrent)

Affirming the tenets of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights,

The General Assembly Plenary (Concurrent),

Mindful of socioeconomic difficulties impeding attendance in schools for young women,

Acknowledging that the economic contribution of women is necessary not only for lessening the frequency of violence against women, but also for the creation of a more robust economy.

Recognizing that a small investment made by a Member State in the education of young women leads to a greater economic yield in the long-term,

Deeply concerned that the lack of education for young women will stagnate the progress of developing countries,

Aware of the relationship between increased education and decreased risk of violence against women,

Guided by the success of the Oportunidades program created by the government of Mexico,

- 1. *Recommends* all Member States implement programs similar in nature to the Oportunidades program:
- (a) Offering cash subsidies to mothers of students below the poverty line who achieve at least 80% school attendance;
 - (b) Allowing the schools to evaluate eligibility and distribute subsidies;
- 2. Further recommends Member States to strengthen legal protections for women in accordance with the Model Strategies and Practical Measures on the Elimination of Violence Against Women;
- 3. *Reminds* Member States of their responsibilities under the Protocol to Prevent, Suppress, and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children.

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