



American Model United Nations

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations

SCPKO/I/1

SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Conduct and discipline of peacekeeping personnel

SUBMITTED TO: The Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations

The Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations,

1 *Recognizing* that abuses perpetrated by peacekeepers representing the United
2 Nations represent an outrageous public offense against the human rights of the people
3 which the peacekeepers are intended to protect, and these abuses hinder the efficacy of
4 Peacekeeping Operations and tarnish the public image of the United Nations,

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6 *Pleased* that allegations against peacekeepers have become less frequent,

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8 *Emphasizing* the importance of establishing trust between civilians and
9 peacekeeping personnel,

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11 *Recalling* that the proper conduct of peacekeepers was an important element in the
12 success of the United Nations Observer Mission in El Salvador,

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14 *Noting* the precedent given by United Nations Resolution 65/20 on the jurisdiction
15 of nations over their peacekeeping personnel,

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17 *Further noting* the current standards for the conduct of peacekeeping personnel,
18 as established by the Ten Rules Code of Personal Conduct for Blue Helmets,

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20 *Recognizing* the wide variety of legal systems among the United Nations Member
21 States,

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23 *Emphasizing* the importance of national sovereignty as a United Nations Charter,

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25 *Concerned with* the difficulty in merging Conduct and Discipline Unit
26 investigations with nations' legal systems,

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28 *Recalling* the success of the positive and negative reinforcement methods
29 currently being used in ensuring progress in regards to the Millennium Development
30 Goals,

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32 *Satisfied* by the success of positive reinforcement in Pakistan, where an award
33 bestowed by UNESCO in 2010 for progress on the situation of women in the nation led
34 to greater progress and more awards,

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36 *Appreciating* the cooperation of non-governmental organizations such as

40 Transparency International, the Human Rights Council and Amnesty International in
41 encouraging nations to continue pursuing the Millennium Development Goals,
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43 *Recognizing* the importance of the listed third party entities as neutral parties that
44 can publicize incidents to the world stage,
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46 1. *Recommends* that Conduct and Discipline Unit investigations include
47 representatives of the host country and the Troop Contributing Country (TCC) for legal
48 advice:

- 49 (a) The advice of the TCC shall be a priority to include in the group;
- 50 (b) The host country reserves the right to decline to provide legal representatives;

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52 2. *Advocates* for training to be specific and germane to individual situations in
53 which deployment is necessary:

- 54 (a) These training exercises are to be conducted under the already-existing
55 training framework as described in the Capstone Doctrine, and should emphasize the
56 cultural, religious, and situational aspects of the mission;
- 57 (b) In extenuating circumstances that require quick deployments, the
58 responsibility to provide the country-specific orientation falls upon the host nation, if
59 they desire to do so;

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61 3. *Encourages* the usage of positive and negative reinforcement to promote
62 compliance and prosecution in response to United Nations investigations, such as:

- 63 (a) Positive reinforcement in the form of annual rewards determined by the United
64 Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) to be bestowed
65 upon countries that are making considerable progress in rectifying transgressions of their
66 training mechanisms and producing evidence that they have made considerable efforts to
67 ensure perpetrators face legal ramifications for their crimes;
- 68 (b) Negative reinforcement in the form of the use of third party entities to
69 publicize cases where nations repeatedly fail to prosecute offenders.

Passed by consensus, with Democratic People's Republic of Korea; United Kingdom
abstentions