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Committee & Council Updates

GENERAL ASSEMBLY PLENARY

The General Assembly Concurrent Plenary adopted two resolutions during its morning session on Monday, 24 November 2014. Resolutions adopted included GA Plen/II/6, which garnered wide support passing with a vote of 67-6-17.

GA FIRST COMMITTEE

The General Assembly First Committee adopted Resolution GA 1st/II/5 by a clear majority during the morning session of 24 November 2014. Sponsored by Kenya, the resolution encouraged implementation of regional information sharing, utilization of Interpol and the enhancement of methods in preventing and tracking illicit and trade of small arms and light weapons.

GA SECOND COMMITTEE

The Second Committee passed Resolution 2nd/II/4 on the topic of Entrepreneurship for Development Monday morning. The resolution, which was authored by Somalia, Montenegro and Slovenia, recommends Member States develop incentives to encourage private entities to partner with local communities and national governments to develop appropriate financial communication networks.

GA THIRD COMMITTEE

The Third Committee passed Resolution 3rd/II/2 Monday morning on the topic of the Intensification of efforts to eliminate all forms of violence against women. The resolution, which was authored by New Zealand, Singapore, Morocco and Portugal, calls on non-governmental organizations to create grass roots movements to promote the health and safety of women.

GA SIXTH COMMITTEE

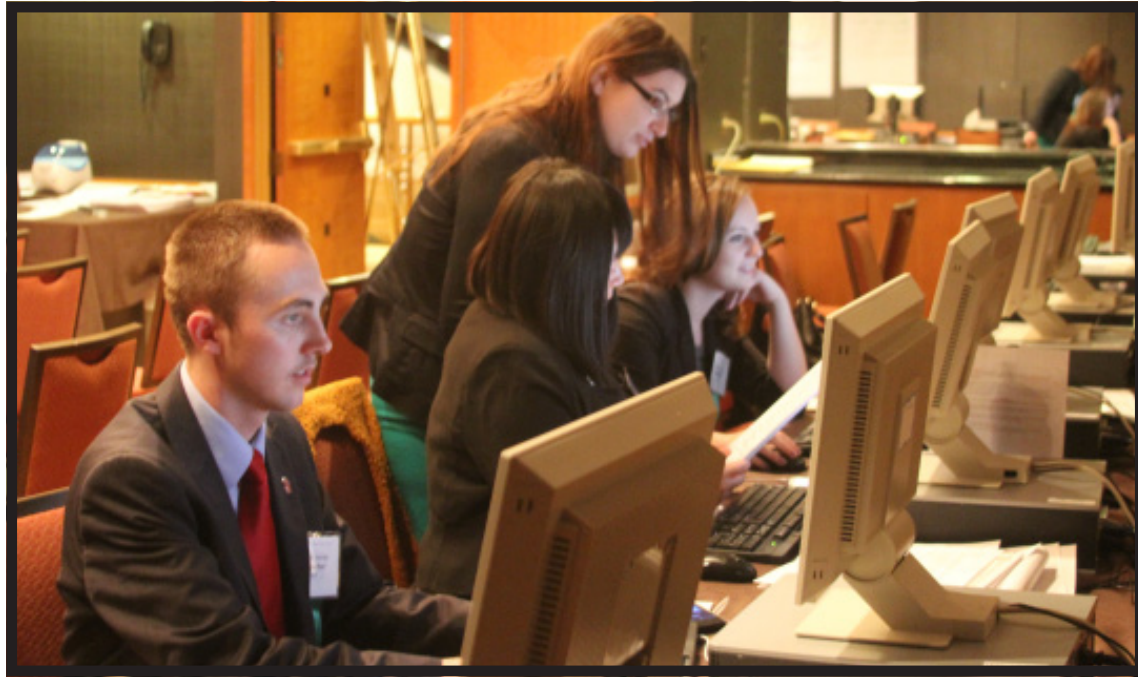
GA Sixth Committee is in debate on the fourth resolution for Topic II: Criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission. Representatives all have different opinions on how to move forward in the process.

ECOSOC

Applause followed the passage of the Resolution ECOSOC/II/3 in the United Nations Economic and Social Council Monday morning. The resolution addresses cultural differences and will increase efficiency and work to curb corruption of aid implementation.

ECA

The Economic Committee for Africa has drafted a resolution for Topic I: Post-2015 Millennium Development Goals. ECA is currently working on an amendment for an additional resolution.



Working hard writing articles for the Chronicle!

IPD BEHIND THE SCENES

By Han Zhao

Have you wondered how the International Press Delegation works? Due to the IPD reporter shortage this year, five reporters are accomplishing the workload of what 13 reporters did last year.

IPD produces two volumes of the *AMUN Chronicle* daily. Reporters are assigned four to six assignments per volume. Here is what they say about their experience.

How do you balance all your assignments?

Morgan Carrico: I am covering three committees. Finding balance between these comes with establishing firm connections with an array of representatives. Discussing what has transpired in one committee while I was observing another committee has been essential. Knowing that I have multiple resources of information has allowed me to effectively balance my time.

SECURITY COUNCIL BURDENED WITH SEVERAL CRISES

By Malachi Petersen
Security Council

The United Nations Security Council may soon find itself dealing with several urgent situations which warrant its attention.

Derek Lumsden, a director of simulations for the Security Council said the Security Council simulation deals with an emergency situation each year, though he was unwilling to go into further detail about what might happen this year.

Lumsden said the Council receives updates throughout the conference on ongoing simulated world events which could lead to a crisis.

"The information they get can change [as well as] any of the situations in the world. Some of those can do what we call an escalation into a crisis-type event and those tend to require special emergency sessions of the Security Council to deal with those types of crisis situations."

Having an international crisis

As an IPD reporter, what is your experience working with the IPD editors?

Yasmin Abdelmawla: They have given me a different perspective. Since we have an intense deadline, we have to produce something presentable in a short time. The editors are efficient in giving us feedback. I learned what to do and not to do really fast.

What is your experience working with Representatives?

Rebecca Greenway: Representatives are pleasant to work with. They are passionate about being here, and it has been interesting to see the work they have been doing in various committees.

Do you have prior experience in journalism? How did your skill contribute to your IPD experience?

Malachi Petersen: Yes, I do. I wrote for the *Moville Record* in high school. I am a double major

in Political Science and Journalism at University of South Dakota. I write for *The Volanten*, the student newspaper for USD. During this past summer, I interned at *Bemidji Pioneer* in Bemidji, MN. Having past reporting experience helps me to ask the right question and to write with correct style.

What does it feel like being an IPD reporter?

Han Zhao: It has been an invaluable experience. I was not sure if I would get things done looking at the deadline schedule beforehand since I've never had live reporting experience. But when adrenaline kicked in, and knowing I don't have any choice, I surprised myself. Being an IPD reporter pushed me to another level, and enhanced my love for journalism. I have always known that I want to be a reporter, now I know I can be a reporter!

AID IMPLEMENTATION DISCUSSED IN ECOSOC

By Rebecca Greenway
Economic and Social Council

Representative Sarah Scaccia of Ethiopia and Representative Jaime Monriquez of Italy were among those working on Resolution ECOSOC/II/3 on Sunday afternoon in the United Nations Economic and Social Council.

The resolution "directly addresses cultural differences," according to Representative Monriquez. After amendments to the resolution Monday morning, the body reached consensus on the proposal.

He said the resolution will increase efficiency of aid implementation and work to curb corruption. Representative Monriquez said the resolution "created more regional clusters but not without a great amount of reforms."

Some of those reforms were what led Representative Adrian Benjamin of Brazil to be "very happy to see [Resolution ECOSOC/II/3] pass."

Representative Benjamin appreciated that the resolution alleviated language about specific regions and also allowed for local dialect language barriers to be addressed. Brazil was among the countries that worked with Ethiopia, Italy, China and Tunisia, among others, on the resolution.

PEACEKEEPERS IN CONGO

By Yasmin Abdelmawla
HSC '61

"We're working towards international communication and working for a solution," said the Representative of Ceylon, Allison Perlin.

The Council has been working on a draft resolution for peacekeepers within Congo to follow the legal mandate.

The main goal for the peacekeepers is to provide protection for the people from the political violence within Congo and to have a neutral stance.

Though both Representative Halliday of the USSR and Representative Perlin seem to feel that the HSC '61 has been overall productive. That being said, Representative Ashley Semiche of the USSR stated that, "Colonial powers, such as the United States and Belgium, are causing instability [within the region of Congo]."

In addition, the United Arab Republic Representative Aly Lachman, has also said, "The United Arab Republic is disgusted by the neglect of deliberation within Africa."

COMMITTEE & COUNCIL UPDATES, CONTINUED

CSocD

The Commission for Social Development has been working on a subsection of a draft report regarding the education subcommittee. They have sent the Representative of the Republic of Korea to present an overview for each subcommittee, and one other representative from each committee, to present the draft report to the Economic and Social Council.

UNHCR

The United Nations High Commissioner For Refugees passed four resolutions Monday regarding health and safety, education, cluster methods and the legal framework for sexual abuse of refugees. The Commission has now moved on to deliberations on issues regarding the internally displaced.

Security Council & ICJ Updates

CONTEMPORARY SECURITY COUNCIL

The Security Council released a Presidential Statement that urges the Member States that have committed troops to the Mission in the Central African Republic to fulfill these commitments as quickly as possible. The Security Council expressed confidence that the new stabilization measures will be effective once implemented.

HISTORICAL SECURITY COUNCIL '61

The United States and the United Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR) were able to come to consensus on conducting a fact-finding mission within Cuba. Representative Nigel Halliday of the USSR said, "The Committee has been moving towards productive action."

HISTORICAL SECURITY COUNCIL '93

In response to the continuing situation in Bosnia, the Historical Security Council of 1993 brought resolution HSC 93/5 to the floor. However, abstentions caused the resolution to fail with a vote of 6-2-7.

INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE

The International Court of Justice (ICJ) is closed for opinion deliberations on the case of Germany v. United States from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on 24 November 2014. The case concerns two German brothers who, in 1982, attempted a bank robbery in Arizona and killed the bank manager. An Arizona court convicted the brothers of first-degree murder and sentenced both to death after two years.

PLENARY

By Morgan Carrico
GA Concurrent Plenary

Following a successful motion to change the topic of the General Assembly Concurrent Plenary, a Representative from the Holy See delivered a reading of the Hail Mary to praise the success of the committee thus far. Her speech was interrupted by a point of order from Montenegro, who asserted that he and fellow representatives of the

DIPLOMATIC COURTESY

By Yasmin Abdelmawla

With the rise of social media, interactions from face-to-face conversations do not often translate the same online.

Within the committees, Rule 2.2 Diplomatic Courtesy, is used when a representative is out of line or acting inappropriately. Though friendliness is encouraged within the committees, it is important to remain professional in speech. Speaking out of turn, interrupting others, and rude remarks are all considered diplomatically discourteous. An example of this would be to go up to another representative and telling them that their resolution was incompetent.

Another example is earlier this weekend, during the Historical Security Council of 1961, a representative spoke, without being recognized, was informed that they were

PRESS RELEASES

By United Kingdom and France
HSC '61

The United Kingdom and France are extremely concerned with a report presented to the United Nations Security Council concerning citizens of the Republic of Congo being abducted and silenced for their political ideals and expressing their political voice by the multiple political factions vying for power in the region. In response to this information, the United Kingdom and France are willing to offer political asylum to Congolese citizens who feel they are in danger or being threatened for their political orientation or ideas, and feel their basic human rights have been violated.

By Liberia
HSC '61

The Historical Security Council of 1961 has received disturbing allegations that the United Arab Republic has disregarded its prior commitments to neutrality in Congo. This disregard has manifested itself in supplying arms to the faction of Patrice Lumumba. Furthermore, there are reports that UAR peacekeeper contingent is interfering with Congolese Army Troops.

The governments of the United States, Liberia, and France condemn this disregard of the UAR's obligation to remain neutral and promote a peaceful resolution to the conflict in Congo.

By Australia
Security Council

The violations of Ukrainian sovereignty by the Russian Federation have been met with protests and anger across the international community. Dozens of countries,

nation would leave if the reading continued. Montenegro issued a statement concerning the issue.

"[Montenegro] feels the gesture by the Holy See was directed toward Montenegro. It is our belief that the reading violates the United Nations charter and fails to observe diplomatic courtesy," said the representatives from Montenegro.

The Holy See retracted their recognition to speak, but ex-

pressed that they remained confident in their actions.

"The Holy See observes that a line may have been crossed by our representation, but the point of order made disregarded diplomatic courtesy as well," said Representative Ellen DeWeese. "That being said, we are still communicating with the dais to see if we may establish some sort of middle ground."

However, the representative of Central African Republic, Ruben Leyva, said that social media is, "awkward for the person receiving the comment and can often be a way to be a jerk to people outside."

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being diplomatically discourteous. On the other hand, within Third Committee, there have been issues of representatives being too informal. A representative spoke while being called upon but was not formal in their speech and was thus deemed discourteous by the chair.

On social media, often being diplomatically discourteous can be more subtle. For example, Yik Yak is an anonymous tool where people can send small posts based on location. During AMUN, there have been many positive and negative remarks regarding Yik Yak and other social media. Representative Paula Vikers of Rwanda felt that, since the application is anonymous, it is okay to write anything. On the other hand, she felt that another social media applications, such as Facebook, were not acceptable sources to post dip-

lomatic discourteous comments.

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By Chile
HSC'61

(Background Note: the CIA organized a rally in order to neutralize Galvao, in which a United States trained Chilean sharpshooter shot at Galvao to kill him and preserve United States interests in Africa and Latin America.)

Chilean Statement starts here:

Chile has been fundamentally wronged. In order to resolve this crisis of the hijacking of the S.S. Santa Maria, we granted asylum to the political refugees from the country of Portugal. In doing so, Portugal subsequently severed diplomatic ties with Chile upon receiving the hostages and political refugees. We were approached by the United States and it was suggested that we play host to a staged political assassination of the very men to whom we promised political asylum.

We initially refused but the United States made it clear that we either play host to the assassination or surrender our good standing with the United States and other members of the international community. We have no intention of breaking our promise of political asylum but we also have no way to support the full weight of United States influence, being as small of a nation as we are.

We have included written communique from the United States to substantiate our claims. The international community has a right to know when one member state attempts to covertly breach another Member States sovereignty.

LIVELY DEBATE IN SIXTH COMMITTEE

By Han Zhao
GA Sixth Committee

It has been a bumpy ride for GA Six representatives seeking to move forward on their resolution.

"There is a lot of criticism going on," said Representative Daryn Brundage-Forrest of Oman.

GA 6th is still on Topic II: Criminal Accountability of United Nations Officials and Experts on Mission. Representatives have been expressing different opinions towards the resolutions.

Madagascar urged Member States as a delegation in whole need to come together and make an amendment.

GA 6th is in debate on the fourth resolution. Representative Nathan Fawley of Norway said the writers of the resolution are hesitant to compromise.

Representative Fawley said fellow Representatives should focus on the contradictions inside the resolution rather than its length.

"I've talked to many members of this body, and they all share my sentiment," Representative Fawley said. "They all disagree with this resolution."

PRESS CONFERENCE

By Joshua Roesner
GA Second Committee

If approved, a new resolution in GA Second Committee could potentially reduce the world's dependence on fossil fuels.

During a press conference Monday morning, Representative Cheyenne Vaughn of Afghanistan and Representative Doug Robbins of Tajikistan outlined a plan that would direct financial resources to a new technology that incorporates solar panels into the roadbed.

The cost of implementing this technology would create significant long-term financial savings, along with other benefits, said Representative Doug Robbins of Tajikistan.

"Let's face it—we're going to run out of coal and petroleum eventually," Representative Robbins said.

He noted that hundreds of millions of dollars are directed toward loans to developing nations via the World Bank and other sources.

"What we are looking for is for some of this money to be directed toward [solar roadways]," Representative Robbins added.

While still in the research and development phase, Representative Robbins said if that money were to be earmarked for solar roadways, it would enable mass production, resulting in lower costs which would allow developing nations to afford this technology.

The resolution is currently pending approval in GA Second Committee

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Here's a shout-out to Home Government for answering all of our questions on topics and country positions! You guys are awesome!