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# GA & ECOSOC PLENARY

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# Committee & Council Updates General Assembly Plenary

Concurrent Plenary passed one draft resolution and failed another discussing the Millennium Development Goals. The committee has a total of nine draft resolutions on this topic and continues to discuss them.

#### **GA FIRST COMMITTEE**

After two sessions of caucusing and writing draft language, Sunday evening saw representatives of the First Committee beginning debate on resolutions for Topic II.

#### **GA S**ECOND COMMITTEE

As of this morning, two resolutions concerning agricultural development and food security are available to GA Second. Debate is open on which draft resolution to consider at this time.

#### **GA THIRD COMMITTEE**

Representatives continue to discuss topic I, Migrant Policies, with no passed resolutions. However, there have been five resolutions submitted and approved, two of which have been brought to the floor.

# GA SIXTH COMMITTEE

The Sixth Committee adjourned debate on Draft Resolution GA6/I/1 without voting on it, voted down Draft Resolutions GA6/I/2 and GA6/I/3, and began discussing GA6/I/4. Draft Resolutions GA6/I/5, GA6/I/6, GA6/I/7 and GA6/II/1 remain to be discussed.

## **UN-HABITAT**

As proposed by Representative Elizabeth Durbin of Liberia, the focus of the committee was set to four main topics: sanitation, mentorship, education and housing and infrastructure. Groups for each topic were formed in order to discuss the specifics.

# **ECOSOC**

ECOSOC is at an impasse as its members consider whether to jump to its next topic from the current one it has been covering. Representatives express concern that ECOSOC has not resolved its first topic and are thus split across the topics with no clear majority.



Representatives on the Economic and Social Commission on Western Asia voting.

# VIVA LA RESOLUTION!

By: Joshua Atherton ESCWA

The passage of ESCWA's first resolution was met with a resounding round of applause last night.

After negotiating areas of disagreement, representatives continued caucusing and drafted a resolution for topic area I that was brought to the floor after reconvening the session. The representatives, after debating wording and specific clauses, finally resolved to amend the areas of

the resolution in dispute. With a unanimous vote, the representatives passed their first resolution.

This morning, the representatives maintained their momentum to debate, amend and draft two more resolutions. Decisions were reached in regards to actions taken against conflict/conflict relapse and how to approach pressing matters such as infrastructure and corruption within the Member States. Representative James

Kane of Mauritania detailed how they worked with ECOSOC to aid in establishing localized centers to report corruption that represented all Member States within ESCWA, an area of discussion that initially provoked a great deal of controversy prior to negotiations. The representatives then entered a suspension of the meeting so that they may begin drafting their report in hopes of resolving topic area I.

# Two Paths, Same Finish Line

By: Matt Quanstrom ECOSOC

Three resolutions have currently been submitted in ECOSOC, but none have been voted on as of yet. There is one resolution for topic I (rural development) and two resolutions for the topic II (women's equality). Resolution ECOSOC/II/1, put forward by Serbia, was brought to the floor earlier and is

currently being revised. ECOSOC/II/1 adopts the term "femicide" as the "definition for the murder of women as a result of their gender" which serves to properly define not only the murder of women based solely on their sex, but the murder of women based on other factors as well. ECOSOC/II/2 has also been brought to the floor and has had two amendments made.

ECOSOC/II/1 intends to make women equal in society through the implementation of educational institutions whereas ECOSOC/II/2 plans to enforce the protection of women through the use of existing law enforcement. These two resolutions come from different directions, but both have the same overall goal in creating equality for women and preventing femicide.

# HSC 1967 Passes Resolution on Congolese Referendum

By: Raleigh Dixon HSC 1967

The Historical Security Council of 1967 passed Resolution HSC-1967/1 in regards to the Congolese referendum on the new constitution proposed by President Mbutu. The resolution applauds the Democratic Republic of the Congo for its efforts to move forward democratically in the future as well as

granting voting rights to women.

The resolution was written by Representative Luisa Piers Luciano of Mali, who was pleased with the passage of the resolution "We are very happy with the results so far. We will continue to support the rights of African nations to determine their own destinies." Questions remain about the removal of executive term limits as well as an

excess of executive power following the dissolution of the Congolese Parliament. Because of these hesitations, the USSR and India decided to oppose the 13-vote majority by abstaining and rejecting the resolution, respectively. The resolution urged the Congolese government to listen to the voice of the people and will continue to monitor the situation in the future.

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# To Pass or Not To Pass

By: Iesha Robinson GA Third Committee

As the conference is coming to an end, representatives are feeling the pressure of passing a resolution on topic I, Migrant Policies and topic II, Privacy in the Digital Age.

Representative Nick Motta of China moved to consider topic area II. Motta emphasized the importance on making time for both topic areas. Although migrant policies are a pressing matter, he added that two days were dedicated to topic one with no passed resolutions. This motion did not pass and was followed by Resolution GA3/I/2 being brought to the floor by Representative Roger Diehl of Croatia.

Upon bringing resolution GA3/I/2, the concern of vague versus specific arose. Representative Zak Thompson of Viet Nam used the analogy of one resolution being one brick. Thompson urged the body not to be against one resolution simply to be in favor of another. More than one resolution could be passed and should be passed so we can lay more bricks to protect migrants of the world.

# CONCURRENT PLENARY DEBATES RESOLUTIONS

By: Raechel Pusateri GA Concurrent Plenary

GA Plenary passed one draft resolution and failed another in topic area two, Millennium Development Goals. Nine draft resolutions addressing topic area two and two resolutions addressing topic area one, Oceans and Law of the Sea, were brought to the table.

Draft resolution GA Plen/ II/3 passed 68/16/14. The resolution was presented by the delegation of Poland and is designed to enhance the accuracy of reports on progress of MDGs. It passed with little debate.

Draft resolution GA Plen/II/2 faced greater opposition. The Representatives of Peru spoke in favor of the resolution and explained that it intended to utilize education as a platform to deal with other MDGs such as health care and poverty. Other Member States opposed the resolution due issues with language and coherency. After an hour and a half spent on facilitated debate on the resolution, it failed to pass with a vote of 34/48/18.

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# Committee & Council Updates, Continued **ESCWA**

The ESCWA representatives drafted their first resolution Sunday night and unanimously passed it to resolve the issue. Monday morning two more resolutions were brought to the floor, debated, amended and drafted. Representatives are currently drafting the report to bring closure to topic area I.

#### **CND**

Representatives of the CND are hoping to pass a report on drug trafficking submitted for editing during Sunday's evening session. Representative Tom Haire of Russian Federation says "Topic I has made pretty good progress so far."

# **Security Council** & ICJ Updates

#### CONTEMPORARY SECURITY COUNCIL

Progress has been made and resolution SC/1 was passed on 23 November 2015 on Syria and ISIL in Syria. Resolution SC/2 was passed on 24 November 2015 on the conflict between Sudan and South Sudan.

#### HISTORICAL SECURITY COUNCIL '67

The Historical Security Council passed a resolution supporting a Congolese referendum on a new Constitution, encouraging President Mbutu to allow UN observers at the polls. Israel, Jordan, Syria and Egypt joined discussions on Arab/Israeli Conflict at the Historical Security Council.

#### HISTORICAL SECURITY COUNCIL '03

Representatives of the Historical Security Council of 2003 are currently working on resolution HSC-2003/I/4 to disarm Iraq. If the resolution fails there will be an immediate invasion of Iraq by the US.

#### INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE

ICJ issued a ruling Sunday afternoon on Serbia v. Croatia that determined both parties are culpable in the crime of genocide. Justices are deliberating with respect to the future of the Wall in the Occupied State of Palestine and will reach a decision by Monday evening.

## **Personal Ads**

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Captain America wants a co-captain. Inquire at the dance.

# SECOND COMMITTEE FINALLY MAKES PROGRESS

By: Sophie Foreman GA Second Committee

After an available resolution was voted down, GA Second found themselves playing the waiting game. Eleven draft resolutions were submitted to be considered by the Rapporteur. In order to keep focus on the topic at hand, several representatives pushed to discuss the future resolutions, while several others argued for a switch to the second topic area. This debate did not last long, because draft Resolutions GA2/I/3 and GA2/I/4 became available to the body.

Draft resolution GA2/I/3 focuses on the importance of research, welcomes the adoption of Sustainable Development Goals, and emphasizes the use of

technology to develop more efficient agriculture. Draft resolution GA2/I/4 involves the collaboration of the United Nations Food and Agricultural Organization and the World Health Organization to establish and enforce quality standards for international food trade.

At this time, debate continues on which resolution to consider.

# United States Declares War

By: Crystal Ham HSC 2003

The United States has put forth and begun Operation Enduring Freedom. Debate on Resolution HSC03/I/4 was a debate on war for the members of the Historical Security Council of 2003.

Representative Peter Feider of Mexico reminded the United States that "many bodies" are willing to work with them in finding compromise within the

resolution. The United States is ignoring other members of the Security Council stating that if the resolution fails they will take action. Representative Alexzandra Smith of China said that the United States's reluctance to find reason would "lead to a potential genocide" of the nation of Iraq.

Representative Vidhur Kvishna of the Syrian Arab Republic wishes that the United States would give HSC03/I/4 its due time, stating that "by waging war, you are essentially proceeding with attack on the whole region."

As the only Arabic nationality represented, the Syrian Arab Republic has attempted to encourage members to see the situation from another side. Discussion ended before the vote with Representative Collin Reid of Guinea saying to the United States that "You will get what you deserve if you choose to invade Iraq. I hope justice is done."

# Press Releases

#### Germany, China, France **HSC 2003**

In light of the current unwarranted and illegal invasion of Iraq by the United States, the governments of Germany, China and France strongly urge their constituents to boycott products of the United States. This statement comes in reflection and response to the ongoing vigils and peaceful protests in Germany and France, and it is in alignment and solidarity with the people participating in these events.

Germany, China and France are strongly disappointed by the complete disregard and illegal behavior of the United States in regards to international law and the foundation of diplomacy that was previously established. In addition to these boycotts, we seek to quickly find a peaceful and collaborative solution that respects and preserves the lives of the Iraqi citizens threatened by the actions of the United States.

## **GA** Third Committee

The Representatives of France would like to commend the excellent work of the delegates in Third Committee, dealing with solutions to the recent refugee crisis and the current insecurity of migrants worldwide. Following the heinous terrorist acts in our state, the Representatives of Fance would like to emphasize that refugees pose no national (or international) threat to security. We further believe that the swift implementation of a multifaceted solution would prevent further human rights violations and the potential radicalization of migrants. Our resolutions need to be specific, concrete and well developed. In order to preserve the integrity of our union, our actions as a body must be reflect the interests of humankind. For the sake of our constituency, we must act in unity.

## Russian Federation, China **Security Council**

The Russian Federation and China condemn the escalations of air strikes within Syrian borders by western powers like the United States, France and the United Kingdom. This is a clear violation of Syrian Arab Republic's sovereignty and these air strikes are a clear sign that these nations do not respect the sovereignty of Syrian Arab Republic and the legitimacy of its government.

## Ecuador

## **GA First Committee**

Ecuador would like to take this time to, within the historical precedent of being a strong proponent of unilateral and internationally focused communication, to inform the world that Ecuador sees a strong need to establish a stronger, more transparent worldwide cybersecurity culture. Ecuador wants to lead in establishing relations with countries of all different socio-economic backgrounds in the hopes of offering the world a stronger IT security future. Many countries, as well as Ecuador, in the developing sphere could benefit from highly developed countries who are willing to offer their expertise and cooperation in spearheading this initiative. Ecuador believes that the world would only flourish more economically, politically, and socially when all countries universally possess similar technology infrastructure. To further the world interest in this space, please contact the two Representatives of Ecuador in GA First.

#### Mexico **HSC 2003**

Mexico is highly alarmed by the escalating crisis between Israel and the Palestinian Authority. The volatile conflict between the masses under Sharon and Arafat is a direct threat to the preservation of the Christian faith and shows great irreverence and insensitivity to all religions originating in this region. Mexico urges the Security Council to acknowledge the severity of the issue, and it seeks a tactical and swift response.

# COME ON, LETS DANCE!

#### By: Dana Drosdick General Assignment & Social Media

Tonight features AMUN's Comic-Con themed dance. The dance will go from 10:00 p.m.-2:00 a.m. in the River Exhibition Hall B on the Lower Level. Though during the day representatives are working hard, at night, representatives will get the opportunity to meet one another on more amicable terms.

This dance differs from those in the past due to its unique theme. "I think it will be different because... there wasn't a theme last year. I think it will be nice that there is a theme this year... I think it will make it more fun," said Representative Sara Dobbins of China.

Others, such as Representative Eileen Tucker of France, echo the sentiments of Representative Dobbin.

"I'm excited to see if people dress up as Comic Con characters because that would be super fun," said Representative Tucker.

Though no costume is required, several representatives are disappointed by what they feel is a lack of notification prior to Conference. Many expressed their desire to wear a costume, but added they cannot because they were not previously informed. Some representatives, however, still intend to try to come in character.

"Maybe I'll go out and pick up some crazy outfit. If there isn't a [costume contest] I want to start one this year," states Representative Tommy Palmer of The United Arab Emirates.

Other representatives are looking forward to meeting each other in a less formal manner. Representative Kennedie Sutton of India remarked, "It's the first time we're not going to be in a formal setting as far as the conference goes. I'm excited to see everyone informal...cutting loose and dancing."

## Lost and Found

Conference Services has a very long list of items that have been found that you might be looking for, including but not limited to:

small leather jacket blue spiral notebook padded hat w/earmuffs grey knitted hat blue rubbermade water bottle blue camelback water bottle back heels (designer) blue pencil case pink scarf with zig zag pattern black samsonite bag U Illinois keys U WI LaCrosse water bottle

# EDITORIAL: STAYING ON POINT WHILE ONLINE

## By: IPD Editorial Team

One of the strongest signs of a functional democracy is a robust right to speech that is protected at all levels. It is this very freedom that allows The Chronicle to flourish.

As such, we join the members of the AMUN Secretariat in fostering an environment where all representatives can express themselves in the manner they best see fit. But we also feel it is entirely possible to

express oneself without resorting to denigrating each other. This is not about bullying or insults. This is about being better people, and learning to work together to solve problems in a constructive manner. We believe in basic human dignity and decency, and resorting to unnecessary personal attacks, especially those of an anonymous nature, violates both of those beliefs.

Without trust between represen-

tatives, it is almost impossible to achieve effective diplomacy. This falls to what we call "The AMUN Golden Rule," that is, Rule 2.2, something many of you probably tire of hearing from your dais staff. However, it is something we have embraced. Just as you would not appreciate The Chronicle unfairly singling out one of you for criticism without an opportunity to respond to those charges, we do

not condone anonymous insults.

Social media is an excellent way to gauge the current moods and mind of your colleagues. But it is important we refrain from degrading behavior. Diplomacy is built on constructive personal interactions, and we know that given the opportunity, you will choose the proper course of action needed to build the trust upon which society depends. Monday, 23 November 2015 Evening Edition -- Page 03 Volume XXVI Issue 05

# RESOLUTIONS PASSED IN SECURITY COUNCIL

By: Neil Jain

#### Contemporary Security Council

Peace talks were underway to ease the tension in Syria with ISIL and on the topic of Sudan and South Sudan. The Security Council passed Resolution SC/1 on ISIL in Syria. This resolution encouraged peace talks before January 2016 to focus on regional stability and supports the establishment of a political framework to ensure rights for all relevant parties. The Security Council also passed by consensus Resolution SC/2, which focused on the disputed region of Abyei in which both Sudan and South Sudan have a military presence. With the recent attacks, concern grew over this region and efforts were made to calm the tensions between the two countries. Out of the factions previously requested to speak before the SC, the Free Syrian Army declined to attend based on the views expressed in SC/1. The Syrian Armed Forces declined because they were outraged by being left off Resolution SC/1. SC reform is now under discussion.

# DISCUSSIONS MOVE TO REHABILITATION

By: Merrisa Stevens Commission on Narcotic Drugs

At the end of Sunday's evening session, the CND had one draft report and several working papers submitted for editing. As those papers would not be ready for distribution until Monday morning, representatives were urged to turn their attention to Topic II, Supporting Recovery From Substance use Disorders.

Upon switching topics, there was much debate over whether to create subcommittees this early in debate. Several representatives quickly answered in the negative when asked if they would like to create subcommittees.

However, despite the delay over subcommittees, Representative Christina Glasschroeder of Netherlands is hopeful that they will "have something [by Monday] afternoon" on the rehabilitation issue. Several representatives as well as Representative Glasschroeder expect to use the United Nations Treatnet Program in order to quickly complete their report for supporting recovery from substance use disorders. "It's a good organization to use because it provides humanitarian aid... It provides scientific evidence... and treatment and support," said Representative Glasschroeder.

# GA SIXTH CONSIDERS RESOLUTIONS, PASSES NONE

By: Linnea Peterson
GA Sixth Committee

The Rapporteurs approved eight draft resolutions in the Sixth Committee. On Sunday night, the Committee adjourned debate without voting on Draft Resolution GA6/I/1, voted down Draft Resolutions GA6/I/2 and GA6/I/3 and began discussion on Resolution GA6/I/4.

Malta was the primary author of Draft Resolution GA6/I/1, which

proposed partnering with social media companies in order to stem online recruitment of terrorists. The committee adjourned debate without voting on the resolution.

Draft Resolution GA6/I/2, sponsored by Singapore, also focused on the online recruitment of terrorists, but it suggested using the International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL) to track the online activity of those who visit terrorist websites. After the various

nations raised concerns about the resolution's effects on state sovereignty and freedom of speech, the resolution failed in a roll-call vote.

Finland, Sweden, Turkey and Sudan sponsored Draft Resolution GA6/I/3, which encouraged Member States to form voluntary regional bodies in order to share expertise on fighting terrorism. After a brief debate, the resolution failed with a vote of 45/57/15.

# As DAY TWO ENDS, DEBATE BEGINS ON DRAFT RESOLUTIONS

By: Cody Elozory
GA First Committee

Sunday evening saw representatives of the First Committee finish editing their draft resolutions and move to open debate. Initially Resolutions GA1/II/1 and GA1/II/2 were discussed, but very quickly resolutions GA1/II/3, GA1/II/4 and GA1/II/5 were made available following their vetting by Home Government.

Many delegates were pleased that resolutions had reached the floor, but with time running out of the day's final session, there was a tangible feeling of pressure. With draft resolutions GA1/II/1 and GA1/II/2 brought to the floor contemporaneously, delegates successfully moved to open debate on draft GA1/II/2. However, the committee then rapidly switched its attention to draft resolution

GA1/II/1 and set a limit on its debate to one hour. There was some confusion in regard to how limiting debate would affect voting procedure, but it was promptly addressed by the dais. Following a rapid series of debates, draft resolutions GA1/II/1 and GA1/II/4 were adopted but, debate never closed on GA1/II/3 preventing it from entering voting procedure.

# Premature reconsideration of the agenda?

By: Katharina Bochtler UN-HABITAT

A representative in UN-HABI-TAT made a motion at the beginning of session to consider Topic I, Housing and Slum Upgrading. There were mixed opinions on this change. Representative Duncan Crow of Serbia commented, "It is unsettling that the UN-Habitat

body would rush to reconfigure the agenda when it has not fully fleshed out the aspects of the past topic." Representative Vrinda Trivedi, also of Serbia, added to that by saying, "I think the topic change was premature and was brought up at a very unnecessary time and will hinder the progress made by this body."

Nevertheless, representatives from Norway, Turkey and Bahrain all voiced excitement towards the reconsideration of the agenda. Representative Chloe St. Arbor of Norway noted that she "feels the change to topic area I will assist the committee in addressing the topic area II, specifically noting that cities and slums are intertwined."

# WALLS DIVIDE THE COURT IN ISRAEL V. PALESTINE

By: Jacques Belval

International Court of Justice

The International Court of Justice is deliberating the legal consequences of a wall along the Israel-Palestinian border that allegedly goes into established Palestinian territory.

In a statement released by Justice Duncan Justice, the Court unanimously agrees on two points: the occurrence of violations and that the Court does have jurisdiction. Otherwise, the Justices appear split into three factions: pro-Israel, neutral and pro-Palestine. Previously, the Justices were split into two camps; one that would like to avoid legislating a solution in order to avoid further polarization, and another that accepted a legal opinion on the General Assembly's EL-10/14 resolution. Justice Patrick Mudd said that the Court may have a differing opinion from the General Assembly with the caveat that the ICJ has legal backing.

Advocate Alicia Linzmeier of the Arab Republic of Egypt opened by addressing UN Security Council Resolution 1515 which proved a path to peace without addressing the wall. Egypt also pointed to violations of the Geneva and Hague Conventions, noting there are more than 200 illegal settlements, inhabited by more than 400,000 Israeli settlers, presently established. Fur-

thermore, only ten percent of the wall adheres to the Green Line, deviating up to ten kilometers. Egypt quoted General Assembly Resolution 2727: "Territory acquired by threat or use of force cannot be considered a legal acquisition."

When the Commonwealth of Australia spoke, Advocates Samuel Pattinasarane and Molly Srour cited post-Oslo Accords rocket launches and suicide bombings as precedent for the wall. The Australian advocates defended Israel, stating that Israel was within its legal rights as a sovereign state to protect its citizens and is not in violation of the 1949 Armistice Agreement. Israel and Australia also argued that the ICJ is only able to give a legal opinion on this matter.

Advocates Omar Rizvi and Aubrey Waddick of the Palestinian Authority demonstrated repeated Israeli abuse. Since the creation of Israel in 1948, they alleged more than 700,000 Palestinians have been forced to flee their homes to make room for the new residents.

Advocates Robyn Kincaide and Joe Barnum of Israel immediately went on the defensive, noting that 97 percent of the Wall is a fence and that the term is misleading. They further reminded the Court that as an occupied territory, Palestine has no place in the UN. The Israeli advocates cited "Right"

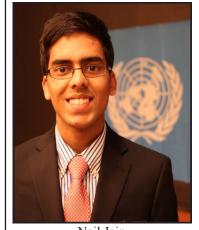
to life" (Article 3 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights) as reason for the wall. According to them, Israel is halting what they term "Palestinian terrorism."

Following oral arguments, the Justices questioned the advocates. Justice Chris Rudolph asked Israel, "If Israel is claiming protection of citizens, why is it offering financial incentives to its citizenry to move to occupied areas?"

Israel directly admitted in a later answer to human rights violations in pursuing "Right to life." When questioned regarding the terrorist attacks coming from its country and why it had not done more to stop these events, Palestine cited limited resources as a primary cause and also pointed to its limited authority and strength as a state in combating terrorist groups. Acting might threaten its very existence but this does not preclude Palestine from working towards this goal when it has the necessary resources available.

Statements gathered from Egypt and Palestine point to their confidence in the ICJ to decide the case in accordance with international law. In contrast, Israel and Australia expressed disappointment that the Court did not recognize Israel's arguments. The Israeli advocates were quick to note that the ICJ has no jurisdiction in the matter.

# MEET YOUR IPD REPORTERS, PART 3



Neil Jain Contemporary Security Council



Iesha Robinson GA Third Committee



Matt Quanstrom ECOSOC

# PRESS CONFERENCES GA First Committee

Monday morning a coalition of delegations from the GA First Committee held a press conference to discuss a draft resolution addressing cooperative development and securing of information and communication technologies. Japan, Sudan, South Sudan, China, Panama, and Liberia outlined the multilateral approach in drafting the language of the resolution. The representatives asserted the resolution not only represented a step forward for policy development in the topic area, but also was an unprecedented illustration of international cooperation. The representatives also noted if the resolution reached a vote, they will move for adoption by consensus.

HSC 2003 Representatives Collin Reid and Alex Villegas of Guinea held a press conference Monday expressing their disappointment at the HSC 2003, declaring, "We failed." Representative Reid spoke on how "the United States had said they were willing to intervene in the region unilaterally, undermining the authority of the United Nations," that they would ignore the ties held with the rest of the United Nations and take action on Iraq regardless of potential council decisions, and how Council members, instead of working toward solutions and passing a resolution, abstained from voting.