



American Model United Nations
**Economic and Social Commission for Western
Asia**

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SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: The Governance Deficit and Conflict Relapse in the ESCWA Region

SUBMITTED TO: The Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia

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1 *Recognizing* that 41% of refugees are children under the age of 18,

2 *Concerned* about the strain that refugees have on the host States' economy and institutions,

3 *Bearing in mind* Section H of the United Nations High Commission on Refugees Executive Committee
4 Conclusion on Children at Risk,

5 *Observing* the need for transparency in identifying and accounting for refugees,

6 *Convinced* that the undocumented flow of goods and services across borders leads to instability,

7 1. *Calls upon* Member States to act in accordance with the United Nations High Commission on Refugees
8 and the United Nations Children's Fund's policies on refugees;

9 2. *Expressing the hope* that Member States and other relevant agencies aid any Member State that chooses
10 to take in refugees, including but not limited to:

11 (a) Financial aid;

12 (b) Medical supplies;

13 (c) Basic amenities;

14 (d) Impartial volunteers, upon Member States' request;

15 3. *Emphasizing* the importance of support networks for refugees, especially children under the age of 18,
16 such as:

17 (a) Providing a secure environment;

18 (b) Promoting the provision of alternative care and accommodating environments for orphans or
19 children who are separated from their families;

20 4. *Encourages* Member States' participation in collecting and sharing information with other Member States
21 regarding refugees, with regards to sovereignty, through taking steps such as:

22 (a) Taking note of the need of all Member States to identify refugees who enter their sovereign
23 territory, using forms of identification, such as:

24 (i) Birth certificates;

25 (ii) Passports;

26 (iii) Other forms of legal identification;

27 (b) Drawing attention to the need of all children to have forms of identification, as noted by the
28 United Nations High Commission on Refugees;

29 (c) Calls upon Member States to establish or strengthen existing refugee status or identification,
30 including;

31 (i) A form of identification specific to refugees;

32 (ii) Ensuring that refugees granted this status are catalogued, with the intention of sharing this
33 information with other Member States, at the discretion of the hosting Member States' governmental
34 policies;

35 (iii) Further requests the human rights of refugees are observed, including their inclusion under
36 domestic labor laws if employed in the host country;

37 5. *Encourages* Member States to strengthen institutions that account for goods and services that move
38 across their borders through the following measures:

39 (a) Recommends that bordering Member States apply tighter controls on the flow of foreign fighters,
40 weapons, drugs and other harmful materials that threaten the rule of law;

41 (b) Enhance coordination between Member States in preventing the flow of such materials.

Passed, Yes: 13 / No: 0 / Abstain: 0