



American Model United Nations
General Assembly Plenary (Concurrent)

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SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: A world against violence and violent extremism

SUBMITTED TO: The General Assembly Plenary (Concurrent)

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1 *Recognizing* that combating violent extremism in all forms must be executed in compliance with international
2 law, particularly in respecting the sovereignty of Member States under Article II of the United Nations Charter,

3 *Reaffirming* resolution 70/291 of July 2016 and all previous resolutions,

4 *Additionally reaffirming* the Secretary-General's Plan of Action to Prevent Violent Extremism with individual
5 national plans, while maintaining an approach that has consensus at global level,

6 *Noting* the sentiment in Letter of the Secretary-General to the President of the General Assembly 70/675 of
7 December 2015,

8 *Recognizing* all member states that have ratified the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrim-
9 ination against Women (CEDAW) in 1991,

10 *Alarmed* by the general increase in recruitment of both adult and youth by violent extremist groups,

11 *Deeply disturbed* by the social impacts of disenfranchisement, isolation and the lack of economic opportunities
12 which increase the likelihood of youth falling into terrorist recruitment programs and threatening basic human rights,

13 *Emphasizing* the negative and prolonged impact of violent extremism in global regions that have experienced
14 prolonged conflict on local communities and infrastructures,

15 *Assessing* the recent effects of migration from regions plagued by violent extremism on European and other
16 states in the international community,

17 *Reaffirming* respect for the sovereignty, territorial integrity in respect to borders and political independence
18 of all Member States in accordance with the Charter,

19 *Additionally reaffirming*, that Member States must ensure that any measures taken to counter violent ex-
20 tremism comply with all their obligations under international law, particularly international human rights law,
21 international refugee law and international humanitarian law,

22 *Recognizing* that respect for human rights, fundamental freedoms and the rule of law are complementary
23 and mutually reinforcing with effective counter-terrorism measures, and are an essential part of a successful counter-
24 terrorism effort,

25 *Notes with concern* the importance of respect for the rule of law so as to effectively prevent and combat
26 violent extremism, and that failure to comply with these and other international obligations, including under the
27 Charter of the United Nations, is one of the factors contributing to increased radicalization and fosters a sense of
28 impunity,

29 *Emphasizes* the importance of Member States' efforts to develop non-violent alternatives for conflict preven-
30 tion by affected communities to decrease the risk of radicalization to terrorism, and in efforts to promote peaceful
31 alternatives to violent narratives, and underscores the role education can play in countering terrorist narratives,

32 1. *Calls for* a diversified approach to violent extremism in order to accurately address the many facets of
33 violent extremism in different regions through:

34 (a) Supporting Non-Governmental Organizations (NGO) that currently exist and can work on in-
35 ternational, regional and especially local levels;

36 (b) Encouraging the creation of new NGOs and local initiatives that meet the regional needs of
37 every area of the globe by following the framework already laid out by other NGOs;

38 2. *Encouraging* countries to use NGO training programs to educate law enforcement officers and government
39 employees to better equip themselves to identify radicalized persons, as well as identification of victims of human
40 trafficking and other abuses:

41 (a) Programs similar to the The Law Enforcement Officer Programme (LEOP) in Poland which
42 stresses government agency and NGO collaboration;

43 3. *Requests* the formation of an advisory committee under the Aarhus Plan, which supports NGOs that
44 assist in providing facilities to troubled individuals with services being offered, such as but not limited to:

45 (a) Social integration of these communities under the Mechelen Plan, which calls for an integral
46 approach with a focus on prevention;

47 (b) Focusing on the prevention of radicalization of those who are most at risk by improving engage-
48 ment of such individuals in activities such as;

49 (i) After school programs;

50 (ii) Youth work;

51 (iii) Social Cohesion;

52 (c) Building comprehensive community networks for the purpose of identifying those at risk for
53 radicalization, utilizing input from;

54 (i) Parents and other family members;

55 (ii) Social Workers;

56 (iii) Teachers;

57 (iv) And other community members;

58 (d) Offering specific counselling and mentoring services for those who have been radicalized, further-
59 more engaging such communities in programs of rehabilitation and providing;

60 (i) Job Training;

61 (ii) Education;

62 (iii) Access to entry-level jobs;

63 (iv) Housing;

64 (v) Social Security;

65 4. *Encourages* the use of multi-faceted regional approaches to countering violent extremism through the
66 framework provided in the following initiatives:

67 (a) The Global Center;

68 (b) Equality Now;

69 5. *Inviting* Member States to cooperate with NGOs that address issues that give rise to radicalization and
70 the spread of extremism in children, youth, minorities, refugees and women including but not limited to:

71 (a) NGOs that pertain to Education;

72 (i) The Global Center;

73 (ii) CARE Education;

74 (iii) Room to Read;

75 (b) NGOs that pertain to women's rights and the education of women;

76 (i) Equality Now;

77 (ii) Sonke Gender Justice;

78 (iii) NOW Foundation;

79 (iv) National Organization for Women;

80 6. *Promotes* Member States and NGOs to recognize the gap between men and women, and the role that it
81 plays in fostering environments that enable violent extremism with the goal to empower the future generation by:

82 (a) Offering more economic opportunities to balance the gender inequalities between men and women
83 such as;

84 (i) Government job placements;

85 (ii) Equal job opportunities for women;

86 (iii) Equal rights for women;

87 (b) Promoting equal protection under the law for all people;

88 (i) Access to property ownership;

89 (ii) Equal rights in marriage;

90 (iii) Ensuring women's rights in marital rape cases;

91 7. *Encourages* a NGO support system for women who have been victims of abuse and aggressions and
92 abandonment by:

93 (a) Providing support for single parent households;

94 (b) Offering mental health services for those who have experienced a violent past;

95 8. *Endorses* a mechanism staffed by civilian United Nations staff members streamlining communication and
96 limiting the chance of additional conflict arising between national governments and United Nations agencies, the
97 NGO community and local Government, based on the:

98 (a) Humanitarian Operations Center (HOC) in Somalia;

99 (b) Humanitarian Affairs Center (HAC) in Haiti;

100 (c) On-Site Operations Coordination Center (OSOCC) in Rwanda;

101 9. *Encourages* nations to voluntarily contribute to a trust fund that accomplishes the objectives outlined
102 above.

Passed, Yes: 71 / No: 11 / Abstain: 23