



*American Model United Nations*  
**Economic and Social Council**

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SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Situation of and assistance to Palestinian women

SUBMITTED TO: The Economic and Social Council

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1 *Reaffirming* its resolution 73/256 of 20 December 2018, which recommends the opening of Member States'  
2 markets to Palestinian exports in accordance to already existing trade rules and agreements,

3 *Recognizing* that Member States retain economic sovereignty and right to self-determination,

4 *Emphasizes* the importance of education to the minimization of global disparities,

5 *Reaffirming* Resolution Draft A/C.2/74/L.3, which states that the "gender digital divide persists in women's  
6 access to and use of information and communications technologies" and serves as an additional barrier to women's  
7 pursuit of education and economic opportunities,

8 *Acknowledging* the role of entrepreneurship and trade in economic growth and development,

9 *Recognizing* the need for protecting women in Palestine from all forms of abuse, especially in the forms of  
10 physical and sexual abuse,

11 1. *Recommends* the establishment and/or development of structures and entities dedicated to combating  
12 domestic violence perpetrated against women in Palestine such as:

13 (a) Setting up shelters in Palestine for women suffering physical and sexual abuse such that;

14 (i) These shelters are run by facilitators trained to help victims of sexual and physical abuse;

15 (ii) These shelters have adequate equipment such as but not limited to first-aid kits and sanitary  
16 products;

17 (iii) These shelters have provisions for women to bring their children along with them while;

18 A. Having professionals to aid in the care of these children;

19 B. Having equipment such as but not limited to blankets, diapers, baby milk, and food;

20 (iv) These shelters have food banks, clean water, sanitation facilities, and other necessary resources  
21 for women;

22 (v) Working with nonprofit organizations (NGOs) to ensure the security of these shelters and work  
23 to ensure all women entering the shelters remain anonymous;

24 (b) Medical centers in populated areas to help women with;

25 (i) Pre-natal and natal care for women;

26 (ii) Educating themselves on hygiene and health;

27 (iii) Provide treatment and long term care, if necessary, for any physical or mental trauma they may  
28 have suffered while;

29 A. Ensuring training for professionals to deal with mental trauma;

30 B. Educating women on any mental trauma they may be suffering;

31 (c) Launching campaigns by NGOs to help women in Palestine gain more accessibility to education,  
32 healthcare, and employment by talking about issues surrounding women in Palestine;

33 2. *Recommends* the funding of and development of existing educational programs for women in Palestine  
34 by:

- 35 (a) Supporting educational systems for these women including but not limited to financial literacy,  
36 business courses, health care, and entrepreneurship;
- 37 (b) Focusing funding on graduates of universities by;
  - 38 (i) Encouraging sponsors from the private sector to fund scholarships and grants;
  - 39 (ii) Promoting programs to help graduates find sustainable jobs;
- 40 (c) Ensuring that women have the opportunity to use their education to create or secure a financially  
41 stable job following their education by;
  - 42 (i) Creating and developing vocational education centers where women can learn practical skills to  
43 set up their own businesses or gain employment;
  - 44 (ii) Building communities and support groups for women who are engaged in business so they can  
45 help each other with their experience in business;

46 3. *Supports* the education of women entrepreneurs in Palestine in order to:

- 47 (a) Help women who are already in the process of setting up businesses;
- 48 (b) Provide professionals in finance to help train these women in financial literacy by;
  - 49 (i) Ensuring they speak the local language;
  - 50 (ii) Holding knowledge about the credit sources and systems in Palestine;
  - 51 (iii) Assisting women in setting up bank accounts;
- 52 (c) Set up workshops in rural areas and universities for this training;
- 53 (d) Educate women of working age in interest rates, sources of credit, and accounting practices;
- 54 (e) Get banking services to women in Palestine in order to develop credit to help finance their  
55 businesses;

56 4. *Suggests* Member States work with NGOs in the promotion of mobile and internet services in the Pales-  
57 tinian region by:

- 58 (a) Working with NGOs engaged in technology to set up broadband services in certain areas such  
59 as but not limited to educational institutions and public areas such as internet cafes and libraries;
- 60 (b) Establishing satellite internet facilities in remote areas where expanding broadband services  
61 would not be possible or would be prohibitively expensive;

62 5. *Encourages* the long-term goal of setting up of transportation networks for goods by working with NGOs  
63 and the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestinian Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) for the  
64 purposes of:

- 65 (a) Supporting the collaboration with the regional Member States to get goods produced by women  
66 entrepreneurs into markets outside of Palestine;
- 67 (b) Working with local NGOs and the UNRWA to set up systems whereby we can ensure that money  
68 gained through the sale of these products do reach these women;
- 69 (c) Training women to recognize safe transportation systems that they can use as well as helping  
70 them establish their own networks by transporting their goods through mutual cooperation among women;
- 71 (d) Establishing the security of these networks by working with regional countries and NGOs;

72 6. *Urges* the implementation of the funding of transitional housing programs to assist victims of domestic  
73 abuse to establish their own independent households free from violence through:

- 74 (a) Job placement programs to help victims become self-sustaining, or economically independent;
- 75 (b) Provision of moving services to assist victims in safely transferring their possessions to a safe  
76 space;

77 (c) Creation of support networks to help integrate victims into a new positive and supportive com-  
78 munity.

Passed by consensus, with 5 abstentions