

American Model United Nations General Assembly Second Committee

GA Second/II/1

SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: International migration and development

SUBMITTED TO: The General Assembly Second Committee

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1 Taking into account the lack of documentation for forcibly displaced immigrants regardless of status,

2 Aware of the nearly 272 million migrants in 2019, a 57 percent increase since 2000,

Alarmed by the 22 million individuals displaced by weather and climate-related incidents and the growing threat of climate change which is predicted to increase an estimated 150 million by 2050,

5 *Recalling* Target 10.7 of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development regarding reducing remittance fees 6 and the implementation of well-managed migration policies,

Further recalling United Nations Sustainable Development Goal targets 8.7 and 8.8 in regards to the reduction
of human trafficking and exploitation of migrants and creation of safe conditions for migrant workers,

Reaffirming the call for increased protections for the human rights of refugees and migrants in the New York
Declaration for Refugees and Migrants,

Emphasizing all dimensions of international migration in a holistic and comprehensive manner as instituted in the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly, and Regular Migration,

13 Cognizant that a variety of push factors provided by external entities and other Member States continue to 14 be a drag on the youth economy of developing nations,

15 *Keeping in mind* the economic strain that the countries taking in refugees have due to the uncontrollable 16 refugee crisis,

17 Deeply concerned by the containment and isolation of migrants during the immigration process and the 18 integration of migrants into accepting societies,

Noting how migrants may act as an asset to diversify the economy of their new found nation and the positive benefits they bring to it,

Appalled by the lack of labor rights for migrants despite their ability to contribute new skills, business, and forms of generating revenue into their new found nations economy,

1. *Recommends* Member States work with the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA) and the International Organization for Migration (IOM) to create and implement regional training programs on how to estimate migration statistics to assist in evaluating progress on the Sustainable Development Goals;

27 2. *Endorses* Resolution 33/7 which names family reunification as the paramount goal concerning unaccom-28 panied migrant children and discourages the arbitrary detention of migrants and their children;

3. *Further endorses* previous work done by this body on migration and refugees issues, including but not limited to the New York Declaration for Refugees and Migrants (NYDRM), the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly, and Regular Migration and the Global Compact for Refugees, specifically:

(a) Endorses objective 12 through 23 of the GCM with specific policy recommendations outlined for
addressing the ailments of migrants in today?s world economy;

4. *Condemns* violations of the NYDRM Objectives 13 and 17 currently occurring in nations throughout the world, and recommends regional sanction against those Members States who do such harm to among the most disadvantaged populations in the world;

5. <i>Reaffirms</i> that the policies of Member States should eliminate all forms of discrimination and intolerance toward migrants;
6. <i>Calls upon</i> developed nations to abide by their promises made in both the Global Compact on Safe, Orderly, and Regular Migration and in objective 20 of the New York Declaration on Migrants to reduce the cost of remittance payment fees in line with Goal 10 of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs):
(a) Recommends further participation by Economic Organization of West African State (ECOWAS) and Asian-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) telecommunications networks and companies in the remittance transfer industry, as outlined in the strategies of objective 20 in the Sustainable Development Goals;
7. <i>Supports</i> the implementation of a global system for processing immigrants and the creation of a universal database for information regarding migrant patterns that would be:
(a) Managed by the International Forum on Migration Statistics;
(b) Sponsored by the UNDESA;
(c) Supported by data pulled from;
(i) IOM;
(ii) Immigrant policy research organizations, including but not limited to;
A. Migration Policy Institute;
B. Center for Immigration Studies;
C. International Centre for Migration Health and Development;
(iii) Global university research centers on migration;
8. <i>Encourages</i> the IOM to implement partnerships between countries to coordinate their respective translations so that international migrants are better aware of opportunities for safe and legal migration, including but not limited to:
(a) Asylum laws in each Member States;
(b) Visa laws and processes;
(c) Other relevant immigration policies that may exist in UN Member States;
9. <i>Further encourages</i> the creation of campaigns through regional bodies by which migrants may return to their home states by:
(a) Granting migrant rights to path of return;
(b) Preventing state regulation of return;
10. Urges Member States to cooperate with one another in regards to local migration between states and to recognize international asylum-seeking as granted in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, Article 14;
11. Strongly $urges$ the international community to increase infrastructure and job opportunities by offering educational opportunities for citizens:
(a) Implementing training programs in order to increase the rate of skilled workers, both strength- ening employment in home countries and providing applicable skills beneficially to potentially receiving countries;
(b) Prioritizing the importance of primary and secondary education;
(c) Investment by Member States towards pre-existing non-governmental organizations (NGOs), intergovernmental organizations (IGOs), and coalitions, to support educational opportunities, such as;
(i) IOM;
(ii) Global Campaign for Education;
(iii) Education International;
(iv) ActionAid.

Passed, Yes: 55 / No: 23 / Abstain: 9