



*American Model United Nations*  
**General Assembly Third Committee**

GA Third/I/3

SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Promotion and protection of the rights of children

SUBMITTED TO: The General Assembly Third Committee

*The General Assembly Third Committee,*

1 *Recalling* the Universal Declaration on the Rights of the Child, the Convention on the Rights of the Child,  
2 and its Optional Protocol,

3 *Recalling* all relevant resolutions from the Human Rights Council relating to the protection of the rights of  
4 children including the most recent resolution 40/15,

5 *Further recalling* Security Council resolution 1612 (2005) of 26 July 2005 that calls for the adoption of the  
6 Children's Rights Working Group,

7 *Concerned* with the lack of previous discussion by the General Assembly and its committees on the impact  
8 of the rural-urban divide on all people,

9 *Concerned* with the effects of the rural-urban divide on the potential success of children,

10 *Acknowledging* the variance between States and the complex nature of its involvement in issues with children  
11 in armed conflicts, migrant children and disparities of women and girls,

12 *Inspired* by the work done by all the countries in the General Assembly Third Committee,

13 1. *Acknowledges* concerns from Member States that disparities from rural and urban areas have affected the  
14 equal enforcement and promotion of the rights of children;

15 2. *Encourages* the establishment of strategies by states in order to fully combat the pernicious effects of  
16 unequal enforcement of the rights of children;

17 3. *Requests* regional cooperation in combating the rural-urban divide, specifically in sharing best-practices  
18 between states that will build a stronger system of cooperation;

19 4. *Calls Upon* the Children's Rights Working Group to add the rural-urban divide to its agenda of issues  
20 to address during its next meeting;

21 5. *Invites* the Children's Rights Working Group to address the issues of education, child marriage, child  
22 labour, and health and wellbeing in its meeting, specifically towards drafting strategies for consideration during the  
23 next session of the General Assembly;

24 6. *Recommends* continued support of the Children's Rights Working Group, to further enable the important  
25 work being done, and that will be done in the future;

26 7. *Requests* the Secretary-General, with consideration to the various United Nation subsidiary bodies whom  
27 comprise the robust system of legal protections to children, as well as with consultation of Member States, to submit  
28 to the General Assembly, at its seventy-fifth session, a report that evaluates disparities created by the rural-urban  
29 divide.

Passed, Yes: 42 / No: 24 / Abstain: 12