SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Women, the girl child and HIV and AIDS

SUBMITTED TO: The Commission on the Status of Women

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Recognizes that incremental steps towards establishing or increasing sexual education are necessary in many Member States, in order to ensure the success of the program,

1. Recommends Member States institute a HIV/AIDS prevention curriculum in public schools, which would teach safe sexual and health practices to prevent transmission and other relevant information, and:
   (a) Would include at minimum, but not limited to;
   (i) The basic science of HIV transmission and common forms of transmission;
   (ii) Reproductive systems and the body, in relation to preventing transmission;
   (iii) Methods of preventing pregnancy and the transmission of STDs;
   (iv) Consent and rape intervention;
   (v) The symptoms of HIV/AIDS;
   (vi) How to access testing for various Sexually Transmitted Diseases;
   (b) Recognizes that any universal curriculum must be suitable for populations and Member States with a variety cultural norms and beliefs, and that it must allow;
   (i) Member States to adapt curriculum in order to increase efficacy;
   (ii) Member States to alter curriculum in order to prevent public outrage;
   (iii) Member States to define “safe sexual practices” within these education programs;

2. Recommends that Member States create informational campaigns promoting the benefits of preventative sexual education and dispelling misinformation and public fears:
   (a) Suggests implementing campaigns targeted directly towards educators, in order to assuage any potential hesitancy of educators to implement curriculum;
   (b) Proposes using campaigns targeted towards parents, in order to prevent confusion and reactive responses such as removing children from school;

3. Requests that Member States collaborate, if they find it useful, with religious organizations and religious leaders in implementing these campaigns.

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