



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

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SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance

SUBMITTED TO: The General Assembly Third Committee

*The General Assembly Third Committee,*

1 *Reaffirming* the obligation and commitment of all signatories of the Charter of the United Nations to work  
2 towards the establishment of equitable conditions for all regardless of race, language, culture, ethnic groups, and  
3 religion,

4 *Understanding* the role that colonial powers played in establishing systems of oppression,,

5 *Recognizing and commending* the genuine effort made by many nations towards the elimination of all forms  
6 of racism and discrimination,

7 *Recalling* the United Nations Charter Principles on racial discrimination and The Universal Declaration of  
8 Human rights,

9 *Remembering* the Durban Declaration against Racism, Racial Declaration in September 2001,

10 *Recognizing* that, despite substantial international efforts aimed at the elimination of discrimination among  
11 racial, ethnic, and religious minorities, the issue remains,

12 *Emphasizing* that each delegation faces unique challenges in combating this issue,

13 *Acknowledging* that Member States should be the primary force working against discrimination,,

14 *Stressing* the necessity of the global community to continue and expand anti-racism efforts,,

15 1. *Affirms* the commitment of all Member States to renew and expand their efforts at combatting all forms  
16 of racism, religious and ethnic discrimination, and all other forms of discrimination, taking into account the unique  
17 history and culture of every nation:

18 (a) Acknowledges no monolithic approach will ever be sufficient to eradicate racism;

19 (b) Understands that each Member State has a unique situation in the history of racial oppression;

20 2. *Recognizes* the genuine, unique, and often unrecognized efforts of formerly-colonized countries and coun-  
21 tries in the Global South at alleviating racial and religious tensions in their countries;

22 3. *Encourages* the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (CERD) to work in tandem with  
23 Member States to create policy goals to eliminate discrimination:

24 (a) Calls upon signatories of this resolution to implement policies aimed at reaching these goals;

25 (b) Acknowledges that all goals must be made collaboratively with Member States to better conform  
26 to their culture and heritage;

27 4. *Encourages* all signatories to adhere to the fundamental principles of the CERD;

28 5. *Affirms* that the main goal is for signatories is to define principles and concerns to combat discrimination  
29 globally, with deference to each nation's individual implementation of such:

30 (a) Establishes that signatories publicly define adherence to goals based on their own cultural and  
31 historical backgrounds and may set their own goals provided that their goals are stated;

32 6. *Ensures* that national sovereignty is held to the highest standard and will not be infringed upon;

33 7. *Protects* each Member State's right to determine their own definition of national sovereignty and how it  
34 pertains to discriminatory policies:

35 (a) Emphasizes that discrimination is prevalent throughout the world and is necessary to address,  
36 in addition to individual state priorities;

37 (b) Recommends that the U.N recognizes each country's own historical and cultural practices which  
38 means creating different solutions to combating racism;

39 (c) Calls upon the U.N. to act as a guiding body, allowing states to instead implement their own  
40 policies to combat discrimination according to their cultural heritage and ideals;

41 8. *Urges Member States* to encourage the youth to fight racism, promote international youth dialogue on  
42 xenophobia, exchange information, and build networks among the youth;

43 9. *Urges Member States* to take steps to prevent social media within their nations from being used as a hub  
44 for the spread of extremism;

45 10. *Recognizes* and condemns the growing influence of Islamophobia, anti-Muslim intolerance, anti-Islamic  
46 legislation, and other related intolerance in many Member States:

47 (a) Understands Islamophobia as targeted hatred, intolerance, and bigotry towards Muslims as a  
48 result of their religious beliefs;

49 11. *Emphasizes* the role that colonial powers had in dividing Muslim nations and creating political and  
50 social strife between Muslims:

51 (a) Recognizes the fault of colonial powers when it comes to many current problems with racial- and  
52 ethnic tensions in previously-held colonial territories;

53 (b) Notes that the peoples of these former territories are not at fault for the situation created by  
54 former colonial powers;

55 12. *Emphasizing* with concern the rising levels of hatred and intolerance towards Muslims in many Western  
56 nations:

57 (a) Condemns Islamophobic acts of hatred and terror in many Member States;

58 (b) Encourages Member States to consider action to prevent anti-Islamic acts of hatred and terror;

59 (c) Encourages UN Member States to consider the treatment of Muslims and other religious minori-  
60 ties when passing anti-racism and anti-intolerance legislation;

61 (i) Specifically, legislation to protect the rights of religious minorities to fully and faithfully carry  
62 out their religious observances is encouraged;

63 (ii) Also encourages legislation to prevent targeted hatred against Muslims;

64 13. *Adopts* the definition of anti-Semitism from the definition of International Holocaust Remembrance  
65 Alliance working definition of anti-Semitism;

66 14. *Calls Upon* Member States to acknowledge and actively seek to curb the presence of anti-Semitism or  
67 acts of religious intolerance against the Jewish people in their State;

68 15. *Urges* Member States to pass legislation and administrative policy to protect the rights of religious  
69 minorities in economic and social life;

70 16. *Affirming* the importance of viewing intolerance, of any aspect, through the lens of intersectionality to  
71 address the historical exploitation of Member States around the globe to implement equality globally;

72 17. *Acknowledging* that the eradication of economic inequality in impoverished Member States will decrease  
73 the movement of funds from the World Bank and International Monetary Fund (IMF), in conjunction with easing  
74 the globally affected internal conflicts centered around divisive cultural issues that stem from economic justifications:

75 (a) Taking into account that addressing the root causes of racism stems from economic exhibitions,  
76 such as global poverty and the historical exploitation of previously colonized Member States;

77 18. *Calls upon* all Member States to respect the Universal Declaration of Human Rights of 1948, alluding to  
78 rule 16, for the equal protection of workers and workers' rights, in conjunction with the respect of state populations  
79 and interests of state-owned capital;

80 19. *Encouraging* historically powerful Member States to join the global stage of the International Criminal  
81 Court (ICC) to eliminate the diminished capacity for justice of impoverished Member States.

Passed, Yes: 49 / No: 16 / Abstain: 6