

American Model United Nations General Assembly Third Committee

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SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Protection of and assistance to internally displaced persons

SUBMITTED TO: The General Assembly Third Committee

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Guided by the principles laid out in The Guiding Principles on Internal Displacement Plan of Action for Advancing Prevention, Protection and Solutions for Internally Displaced People 2018,

- Reaffirming Resolution A/HRC/50/24 of 28 June 2022,
- 4 Noting with appreciation the work of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees,
- Expressing concern over the current number of Internally Displaced Persons (IDP) due to climate change crisis, as well as natural disasters caused by climate change,
- 7 Disturbed by current humanitarian crises regarding IDPs,
- 8 Recognizing the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on IDPs,
- 9 Affirming housing as a human right,

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- 1. Accepts previous resolutions and adopted treaties;
- 2. Suggests review of previous guiding principles simply to ensure they are up to date with United Nations humanitarian codes, and call for reworking if they prove to be inadequate;
- 3. Requests the implementation of an assessed fund be put towards Member States based on their need for humanitarian aid for IDPs:
- 15 (a) Requests funding from the OHCHR Humanitarian Funds, to provide financial aid to Member 16 States proportional to their current number of IDPs;
 - (i) The given financial aid will also reflect the impact both the climate change crisis and international war is having on each Member State;
 - (b) The aid Member States receive will be given not only based on the need as stated above, but also given in portions specifically designated for the following: housing, food and water resources, health care, integration and relocation efforts and education;
 - (i) Requests that this housing be tailored to the location in which it is constructed so that environmental impact is minimized and issues that are leading to displacement such as environmental degradation and climate change are reduced;
 - (ii) Allows IDPs to find stability in housing so that they may be able to be reinstated in communities that they can meaningfully engage with;
 - (c) Asks that Member States use funds to repurpose abandoned buildings that meet recognized safety standards and are structurally sound as temporary housing for IDPs while the necessary arguments are made for them to be placed in long-term or permanent housing;
 - 4. Strongly encourages that the portion of the fund dedicated to education be used specifically for IDPs by:
- 31 (a) implementing programs that offer trade or profession based training to help IDPs be able to find 32 stable employment;
- 33 (b) suggesting the creation of schools within communities of IDPs for children up to age 16 to reduce 34 the impact that displacement can have on children's access to education;

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- 35 (c) suggesting the expansion on the preexisting DAFI Tertiary Scholarship Program to include IDPs 36 to provide higher education in high demand careers such as teaching, nursing and training in technology based fields;
- 37 (d) creating a short curriculum informing IDPs about "next-steps," rights and processes that they 38 deserve to understand as they navigate their situation;
- 5. Recommends the creation of an IDP database as outlined in the United Nation Secretary-General's Action Agenda on Internal Displacement in order to evenly distribute funding;
- 6. Encourages Member States to develop mechanisms to collect data surrounding the demographics, socio economic dynamics, and associated trends in a manner which is in line with the International Recommendation on IDP Statistics;
- 7. Recommending the establishment of an oversight committee for the aforementioned fund, under the discretion of the UN High commissioner for Human Rights:
- 46 (a) This oversight committee would be in collaboration with public humanitarian organizations and 47 each Member State to meet the diverse array of needs for internally displaced persons in each Member State;
- 48 (b) The committee would also oversee the use of these funds by Member States to ensure the funds 49 are being used appropriately;
- 8. Calls upon the Red Cross to address the spread of disease within IDP communities including COVID-19 by:
 - (a) Ensuring IDPs have access to clean water;

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- (b) Setting up clinics in locations with high areas concentrations of IDPs and higher rates of COVID-19 that would provide COVID-19 and other highly transmittable disease vaccinations;
 - (c) Addressing malnutrition among children in IDP communities;
- 9. Further recommends that locally based committees be developed that work directly with groups of IDPs in order to properly identify and best address the issues that they are facing;
 - 10. *Emphasizes* the need for Member States to implement renewable energy sources like wind and solar energy in the hopes that these measures will help to prevent the number of IDPs caused by the Climate Crisis;
- 11. Urges that Member States implement a rebate, bonus or EcoTax to buyers of vehicles in attempts to limit carbon emissions contributed by vehicle use:
 - (a) A rebate would be given to buyers of vehicles that emit less than 130g of CO2/km;
- (b) Contrarily an EcoTax could be placed on the purchase of vehicles that emit more than 160g of CO2/km;
 - (c) It would be left to the discretion of each Member state to form regulations or lack thereof on corporate companies and their use and purchase of vehicles within the Member State;
- 67 12. Recommends development of more energy efficient, alternative modes of transportation appropriate 68 within each Member State, including but not limited to railways and inland waterways;
 - 13. Encourages implementation of a report writing body dedicated to sharing information on new and clean energy with the addition of a United Nations website updating Member States on new ideas;
- 14. Affirms the effects the Climate Change Crisis has on IDPs in island states, and supports those effects being taken into consideration when distributing funds:
- (a) Island States are the most likely to be affected by climate change due to rising sea levels and should be consulted accordingly;
- 15. *Reaffirms* the need that women, children, elderly and disabled IDPs should be protected from discriminationbased violence:
- (a) In order to ensure the rights of these parties are guaranteed, third party committees would be consulted on these issues, including UN women, Mercy beyond Borders, etc;

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- (b) To ensure the safety of women within each Member State we suggest the implementation of a committee designated to keeping records of the number of women in IDP housing facilities and this Committee would help decrease the rate at which IDP women and children are trafficked;
- 82 (c) Requests that security be provided to IDP communities and outside aid workers and resources 83 for external threats such as terror so that resources can be more effectively distributed and that all people involved 84 in work with IDPs remain safe;
- 85 16. Reminds Member States of their responsibility and commitment to protect human rights including those 86 of IDPs.

Passed, Yes: 67 / No: 3 / Abstain: 7

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