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American Model United Nations General Assembly First Committee

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SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Youth, disarmament and non-proliferation

SUBMITTED TO: The General Assembly First Committee

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Affirming Resolution 76/45 in the creation of Youth 2030: The United Nations Youth Strategy, which includes peace and security as a thematic priority area, Recognizing the United Nations definition of youth as those persons aged 18 to 29, 3 Realizing the cultural differences in creation; perpetuating understanding among member states and their 4 citizens, 5 6 Understanding the tangible possibility of the achievement of peace without the presence of weaponry, Aware of the complexities of mitigating the influence of non-state actors (NSAs) in recruiting youth to armed 7 conflicts across the world, 8 9 Desiring to combat the recent rise of both digital and real-life extremism, Calls upon Member States to recognize the importance of youth involvement in disarmament, 10 Emphasizing the importance of respecting state sovereignty in any and all proposed initiatives, 11 1. Recommend establishing a Youth Action Program (YAP) which: 12 13 (a) Encourages youth to express their unique perspectives in an ever-changing world; (i) Emphasizes the diverse necessities of the global communities, the YAP would supply action plans 14 for education; 15 (ii) Expressing desire to establish a youth forum for discussions on the issue of disarmament; 16 (iii) Encourages further employment beyond the education exchange amongst signatories; 17 (b) Structured through; 18 (i) Five representatives from each regional group meet in an annual forum, held in a different 19 supporting country each year; 20 (ii) The 21 regional groups and their borders will be defined as the United Nations states in the 21 Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) regions; 22 23 (iii) With discretion and direction from the United Nations Office of Disarmament Affairs (UNODA) to further the understanding and education about disarmament; 24 (c) Funding pooled globally through voluntary donations by Member States in support of the pro-25 gram; 26 27 (i) Noting that sovereign countries can volunteer financial support for the YAP program; (d) *Identifying* the various levels of access to modern technology; 28 (i) YAP will identify and work towards expanding access to the Internet; 29 (ii) Simultaneously working with locally identified Non-Governmental Organization (NGOs) to al-30 31 locate funds to these regions;

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to counter misinformation campaigns across digital platforms;

(iii) YAP will work to combat digital extremism targeted towards youth through dedicated efforts

(e) Creating a subprogram Juvenile Disarmament Education Program (JDEP); 34 (i) Structured in the same way as YAP; 35 (ii) Organized to include individuals ages 7-18; 36 2. Recommends Member States have programs leading toward disarmament and incorporate a seat at the 37 table for youth in these programs: 38 (a) Focusing on Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMDs) and their non-proliferation; 39 (b) Acknowledging states' independent rights to protect their peoples; 40 3. Further requests the YAP creates a media presence in order to spread awareness of the group's operations 41 and important developments in world events: 42(a) Appoints a coalition of youth members to select urgent information to transfer to a more digestible 43 material; 44 (b) Works to select these members according to personal skills and media aspirations; 45 4. Calls upon all Member States to consider the role of youth as in: 46(a) The need for youth participations when negotiating conflict resolutions and exchanging ideas 47 with youth groups with disarmaments and non-proliferation viewpoints; 48 49 (b) The need of youth participation in resettlement, rehabilitation, and post-conflict reconstructions; (c) Considering ways to engage youth in peacebuilding, conflict resolution and peace conventions; 50 5. Emphasizes the importance of disarming non-government actors especially recognized terrorist organiza-51 tions; 52 6. Urges Member States to initiate inclusive and accessible enabling environments in which youth are societal 53 actors, including youth from diverse of backgrounds are being supported and recognized and received support to 54 advocate for conflict resolution and civilian protections; 55 56 Registration and Identity Management Ecosystem to support displaced persons with refugee status by: 57 58

7. Encourage further use of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) digital Population

(a) Urging that the UNHCR digital Population Registration and Identity Management Ecosystem advocate for the security and safety of displaced peoples;

- (b) Recognizing that youth account for 40% of all refugees and displaced persons globally;
- (c) Acknowledging the elevated risk of displaced youth being influenced by non-state actors;

62 8. Strongly advises state action against the use of technology, especially targeted towards youth, by terrorist groups with reference to Security Council Resolution 2250. 63

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