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Topic: Promotion and Protection of the Rights of Children

The General Assembly, reminding all nations of the inherent and natural rights of children embodied in the United Nations *Convention on the Rights of the Child* (UNCRC) signed into effect in 1990,

Aware of the major problems children all over the world face including a lack of education, child labor, drafting of child soldiers and health concerns,

Concerned that children continue to be sent to work in unsafe, harmful or dangerous environments,

Seeking change for the rights of education for children,

Confident that countries have the resources and will use them to end child poverty and its global effects,

Disturbed that children are still being forced into getting married at very young ages,

Deeply concerned that children are still abused and treated like possessions in some parts of the world,

Taking into account that child trafficking still remains a serious issue in some countries,

1. Recommends that no one under the age of 18 should be serving in the military;
2. Calls upon countries to create laws of marriage by choice;
3. Recommends the implementation of programs for the purpose of raising funds for education in rural areas such as: "Race for Education," School in the Box, and Save the Children's "Brick by Brick" initiatives;

4. Requests NGOs to send food to families and people in need;
5. Encourages programs that teach adults about the rights of children;
6. Recommends that member states work to reduce school fees;
7. Requests NGOs to establish workshops in which volunteer teachers attend and help educate children;
8. Reminds schools should hire only certified teachers;
9. Encourages countries to allow UN advisors to inform governments about other solutions to child soldiers and their involvement in conflict;
10. Emphasizes that local governments be responsible for providing clean water and sanitation;
and
11. Calls upon world governments to review the minimum work age for their children.