Resolution GA/3/2.1

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Topic: “Rights of indigenous peoples”

Keeping in mind that Indigenous people have the same rights as everybody else, and therefore have the right to their own culture, religion, and beliefs,

Noting with regret that indigenous peoples are not receiving the same basic human rights as more privileged people,

Taking into account past development towards equality for the indigenous peoples,

Fully aware of the past discrimination and unequal treatment that has been directed towards indigenous peoples,

Acknowledging that some of the medications we use today were first discovered by indigenous peoples,

1. Requests that before building on indigenous people’s land, the government must have their informed and proven consent;

2. Encourages volunteers from indigenous communities to come to schools to educate students about indigenous languages, cultures, and traditions;

3. Recommends all member states to address biopiracy;

4. Further recommends that indigenous people should be granted the rights to maintain and develop their political, economic, and social systems and have the right to protect themselves from all other traditions and other economic activities with their own means of development;