



**United Nations Children's Fund**

**Co-Sponsors:** Bolivia, Guatemala, Republic of Azerbaijan, Republic of France, Republic of Pakistan, Republic of Tanzania, Republic of Uganda, Russian Federation

**Topic:** "Children in Armed Conflict"

The General Assembly, keeping in mind that armed conflict is the fighting between two or more groups involving the use of weapons and that armed conflict can cause children to suffer serious physical injuries or psychological trauma, to lose family members, to become displaced from their homes, or even to suffer loss of life,

Alarmed by the number of children who are abducted or killed each year due to the conflict around them,

Noting with concern the poor care in refugee camps and rehabilitation centers,

Observing that multiple human rights from the Universal Declaration of Human Rights are being violated,

1. Strongly recommends that the Security Council sends peacekeepers into countries suffering from children in armed conflict to help protect the children and families;
2. Draws attention to regions where children are being abducted and forced into fighting in conflicts;
3. Expresses its hope that NGOs will provide more efficient care for families and children in refugee camps and rehabilitation centers;
4. Taking into consideration that making safer homes for IDPs could help prevent children from being pulled into armed conflicts;

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5. Emphasizes the need for children to be taught how to defend themselves against kidnapping and sexual abuse;
6. Recommends that the UN and state governments design special court systems and laws for children in armed conflicts as stated in the Optional Protocol on Children in Armed Conflict and the Convention on the Rights of the Child;
7. Encourages negotiations and treaties to resolve the sources of conflict so that there is no reason to recruit child soldiers;
8. Requests the rebuilding of towns and cities destroyed due to war;
9. Proclaims that nations should use every resource available to them to locate the people who are recruiting children; and
10. Strongly suggests to the Security Council that sanctions, such as arms embargoes, asset freezes, and travel bans, be imposed upon perpetrators who force and recruiters of children into armed conflict be imposed.