Co-Sponsors: Republic of Belarus, Republic of Bulgaria, Republic of Chile, People's Republic of China, Republic of the Congo, Republic of Costa Rica, Republic of Cuba, Czech Republic, Republic of Djibouti, Commonwealth of Dominica, Republic of Ecuador, Arab Republic of Egypt, Republic of El Salvador, Republic of Estonia, Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, Republic of Fiji, Republic of France, Republic of Finland, Georgia, Federal Republic of Germany, Hellenic Republic (Greece), Hungary, Republic of Iceland, Republic of India, Republic of Indonesia, Republic of Iraq, Ireland, Republic of Korea, Kingdom of the Netherlands, Republic of Peru

Topic: Strengthening of Security and Cooperation in the Mediterranean Region

Pre-ambulatory Phrases

Alarmed that 85,000 refugees crossed the Mediterranean in 2017,

Concerned by the increasing pollution, warming climate and rising sea levels in the Mediterranean.

Disturbed that out of 35,000 refugees, only 7,000 are accepted into EU countries,

Noting with deep regret that in 2016 over 5,000 refugees died while crossing the Mediterranean Sea.

Fully aware that in September of 2017, only one rescue boat organization remained in the Mediterranean,

Taking into account that the Mediterranean Sea is used to smuggle illegal drugs and weapons that cause violence and criminal activity,

Believing that stabilizing the Mediterranean will solve the refugee crisis,

Aware that black markets provide unsafe rafts and fake passports to willing and desperate refugees.

Operative Clauses

- 1. Strongly suggests that countries with stable economies accept larger numbers of refugees from countries with conflict and environmental issues;
- 2. Strongly encourages countries not to deport refugees;
- 3. Recommends that UN member states provide safe rescue boats with trackers for refugees;
- 4. Requests that UN peacekeepers be placed along the borders of the Mediterranean;
- 5. Calls upon all countries to assist the UN in creating safe zones in willing countries;

- 6. Emphasizes the need to educate the population living along the Mediterranean about climate change and pollution;
- 7. Designates the UN to hold a summit to discuss the growing environmental issues in the Mediterranean;
- 8. Supports the creation of a non-profit UN organization that strives to gradually eliminate pollution in the Mediterranean;
- 9. Recommends frequent border checks on imports/exports and the enforcement of border laws to prevent illegal migration and smuggling of weapons and drugs;
- 10. Calls for the education of children on current environmental issues in the Mediterranean;
- 11. Endorses rehabilitation centers for refugees once they cross the Mediterranean;
- 12. Encourages the education of countries on how to create a sustainable economy that does not damage the environment of the Mediterranean.