

TUNBRIDGE WELLS MODEL UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2016 DRAFT RESOLUTION ON REFUGEES AND HUMAN RIGHTS

The General Assembly of the United Nations

1. Recalling Article 14 of The Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the 1990 International
2. Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their
3. Families, and the 1951 Refugee Convention and the 1967 protocol,
4. Recognising the work of UNHCR, ILO and UNCHR in protecting the rights of migrants,
5. Noting with concern the causes of people becoming migrants: internal conflict and denial of
6. human rights in certain Member States; the actions of terrorist groups such as the so-called
7. Islamic State; the widening gap in economic development between richer and poorer Member
8. States; and the effects of climate change,
9. Concerned also at the significant demands made upon some less economically-developed
10. Member States by current patterns of migration,
11. Noting that military intervention and the support of repressive regimes by certain Member
12. States is partly responsible for people becoming migrants.
13. Noting that when there is internal conflict within a Member State most of the migrants created
14. by such conflict are internal or in neighbouring states,
15. Acknowledging the important contribution provided by migrants to development,
16. Welcoming the significant contribution of Member States such as Greece, Turkey, Italy and
17. Malta to dealing with the migrant crisis in the Mediterranean area,
18. Appalled at reports of migrants arriving in Egypt being murdered for their body parts,
19. Welcoming the decision of the International Organisation for Migration (IOM) to join the
20. United Nations as a related organisation, and China's decision to join the IOM,
21. Recognising the principle established under international law that all states have the sovereign
22. right to control admission to their territory and to regulate the admission and expulsion of
23. foreign nationals.
24. Recognising the importance of the Secretary General's May 2016 report 'In Safety and Dignity:
25. Addressing Large Movements of Refugees and Migrants'
26. **Concerned at the implications of** millions of children out of school and millions of adults
27. having no possibilities for earning an income for meeting the MDGs
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Calls upon all Member States to

29. Set budgets to meet the target of 0.7% of GDP for aid in order to promote economic and
30. political stability and to meet the Millennium Development Goals within States currently
31. experiencing net migration.
32. Establish a conference to agree changes to international law in order to recognise the
33. existence of climate and environmental refugees,
34. Take steps to address the challenge of undocumented or irregular migration to foster a
35. secure, regular and orderly process of migration, and to ensure that all such requests are dealt
36. with within 18 months, in accordance with their relevant international obligations and
37. commitments,
38. Allow at all times free and unlimited access to all facilities used for the detention or
39. containment of migrants to officials appointed by UNCHR or UNHCR,
40. Provide safe havens for refugees and asylum seekers, based on a quota system calculated on per
41. capita income,
42. Provide material support, through the UNHCR, for those countries most affected by migration
43. from countries affected by conflict,
44. Cease the detention of people, particularly children, seeking asylum,
45. Refrain from inflammatory statements regarding migrants, and to prosecute citizens found
46. guilty of racist and xenophobic statements and actions.