



Committee on the Agenda

Your chance to provide input on the topics to be discussed at the 2012 AMUN Conference happens on Tuesday at 1:15 pm in Michigan A&B.

Combined Plenary

Representatives from the GA Committees met in the Combined Plenary to try to pass their draft resolutions by the body.

Representative Dance

Representatives danced the night away celebrating the successes of the 22nd annual AMUN Conference. Thank you to all participants!

Top 5 Breaking

News for the UN

ECOSOC Follows US & Australia

1 Representatives of Bangladesh and Gabon held a press conference Monday night to show their disapproval of some representatives in ECOSOC, who did not vote for the approval of ECOSOC/II/3, which failed to pass. The purpose of the resolution was to hold Israel responsible for the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the occupied territory. Representative Calvin Bell stated that the representatives decided to follow the votes of Australia and the US because they believed that the wording of the bill was unfairly directed at Israel and detracted from the actual resolution's content.

Consensus Pleases Russians

2 The Russian Federation held a press conference Monday night to give their response to the passing of ECOSOC/II/6, which passed by consensus. The representatives of the Russian Federation believe that doing so creates a direction to stable development of the potential of the Member States. The representatives praised the abstentions of the resolution and condemned the nations who did not support the resolution, because universal education would benefit every Member State.

DPRK and Cuba Condemn CIA

3 The Islamic Republic of Iran, The Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea (DPRK) and Cuba condemned the United States after US CIA agents were arrested in Lebanon. These Member States see these arrests as an infringement of sovereignty by the US. Iran, DPRK and Cuba all believe this infringement of sovereignty is characteristic of the US and is behavior that should not be condoned.

Renewable Energy Opposition

4 In a Monday night press conference, representatives from Russia, Italy and the United States voiced opposition to the report on renewable energy that was being discussed in the ECE. Representatives from these and other nations have questioned what they see as a lack of short-term goals, submitting a plea for a more specific report that the committee can universally support.

Iran's Moment of Silence

5 Iran requested a moment of silence for the CIA operatives that were captured in both Iran and Lebanon on Monday and followed this by making a declaration regarding their right to state sovereignty. These operatives were Iranian and Lebanese citizens turned CIA informants and are currently in custody in their respective countries. Following this, the Israeli delegation also requested a moment of silence for victims of terrorist attacks, which was interrupted by a flurry of points of information in direct defiance of rules regarding the use of that motion and with a clear lack of diplomatic courtesy, ultimately requiring the chair to forcefully intervene.

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for the closing packet, which includes copies of all resolutions and *Chronicles*.



President of the General Assembly Plenary presides over the proceedings of the morning combined plenary session. Representatives from all committees participate to pass or fail their resolutions.

Closing Time: Thoughts at the End

Goodbye AMUN!

Final thoughts on a successful Conference

By Marcus Taylor

IPD Reporter

As the conference comes to a close, representatives have a variety of opinions and impressions of the 22nd annual AMUN. In general, the representatives of the various committees felt that this conference was a great learning experience and something that they will remember for some time. Representative Celia Kaechele of Myanmar said she felt that this conference was much more realistic than mock conferences in class or in a club because there are so many delegations, representing almost all states in the UN and their respective positions.

Representative Edward Stanfield of Sweden in the Economic Commission for Europe felt that representatives did a remarkably good job of assessing the potential consequences of all proposed resolutions and their various clauses. Both he and several other representatives said that there was a great deal of substantive debate during caucusing, which led to the thorough consideration of the draft resolutions.

In the 1973 Historical Security Council, early sessions were full of contentious debate and a lack of cooperation. Despite their early struggles in achieving consensus, Representative Brandon Creagan of Kenya said that by Monday, they were "starting to come together as a unified group." The catalyst for this sudden move towards collaboration happened when one resolution,

which was remarkably similar to another, was voted down. The sponsors of both resolutions realized that they were in agreement on the issue, despite the presence of two resolutions, which brought them together to craft one joint resolution.

Despite the contention that inevitably comes with debating controversial topics, members of most committees were able to eventually come together and work as a collaborative body. This cooperation was a result of discussing the draft resolutions in depth, while also assessing the potential negative consequences of each action that the committees were proposing. In summary, it seems that most representatives thoroughly enjoyed their time at AMUN, believing that their committees came together when their cooperation was most needed.

Thanks from the International Press Delegation's Reporters and Staff

We appreciate all the press releases, the personal ads, and the many, many press conferences. We hope you enjoyed the *AMUN Chronicle* and that we'll all see you again next year at AMUN 23.

Press Releases

Palestine - Delegation

The state of Palestine is greatly saddened by the result of the US veto on the Security Council Resolution to accept Palestinian Membership. This is obviously a great injustice upon Palestine and its people. However, Palestine would like to thank those nations that supported Palestine in the vote. Given that nine members in any other situation would be a passed resolution, Palestine realizes that the majority of the international population supports its bid. Palestine will use this development to further its cause and will actively continue seeking membership to the United Nations.

Germany - Security Council

Germany has been in the process of drafting a resolution regarding the situation in Syria. In conjunction with other states, Germany demands an end to the violence in Syria. We fully support the Arab League's efforts to support peace in Syria through economic

sanctions, and we also suggest a freeze on the assets of al-Assad should Syria remain uncooperative. Germany, among other nations, would reconsider sanctions if Syria were to release political prisoners and become more cooperative. In the Security Council, there seems to be a deallock on the issue; Russia appears relatively unwilling to support peacekeeping missions in Syria. If peace in Syria should require NATO protection for civilians, Germany would be willing to look into that option. Germany hopes other nations are also willing to support peacekeeping in Syria.

Iran - GA Plen

First, the Islamic Republic of Iran is quite pleased with the results of the Indian and Russian inspections of our facilities. While we are not at all surprised with the outcome, we hope that those nations among us who were doubtful are finally satisfied with the pure intentions of the Supreme Leader and President. While the

IAEA shows clear preference for western democracies we appreciate the opportunity to prove that our goals are righteous.

Also, in regards to human trafficking, we believe that the General Assembly consideration of submitting the issue to the Security Council is a disgrace. This decision would allow Western Democracies and their Zionist pets to make decisions that are insensitive to the Nation of Islam and would limit the voice of most of our distinguished Member States to whom this issue is most relevant. We do not believe that the Security Council has the sensitivity to deal with this complex issue.

Finally, we would like to address with total condemnation the Zionist allegation that Palestine should not be present in these United Nations, and fully support Palestine in their fight for justice.

Saudi Arabia - GA Plen

On behalf of these signatories we would like to make a state-

ment. We would first like to start by reaffirming our alliances with the Western States and our continued support of our current commitments. We would also like to reaffirm the sovereignty of all member States and the right to handle domestic issues internally without excessive outside interaction.

Signed,
Saudi Arabia, Tunisia, Bahrain, Egypt, and Jordan.

Yemen - GA Plen

In spite of certain regional voices to the contrary, Yemen would like to express its gratitude for the continued security cooperation with the United States of America. Such cooperation has proved effective and beneficial in combatting certain extremist groups within our sovereign borders. Yemen looks forward to this continued partnership.

Personal Ads

Stetsons are *cool!*

The HONORABLE President Bear is now seeking speakers or motions.

Dear Jessica,
Uganda, Buganda!

Red hair is beautiful!
Represent!
-Meeker, IPD

Dear J,
Thanks for being you!
<3 Cheddar!

To: Ginger Hustla,
Don't go making purple.
From: Cruiser

HSC '73VP to SCVP
Can't wait to see you in 38 years!
Looking forward to our engagement then.

Serbia,
I think pizza is a fruit too.
-Slovakia

Dear Guy with whom I shared a vegetarian Chinese meal at the mall this summer; miss you.

Sweden, you're cute.
-GA1 Ladies

The Russian Federation delegation to the ECE is desperately seeking an opinion. Is there one out there for WS?

Bow ties are *cool!*

To IPD Reporters,
Rock less. You're hurting my eyes.

Friends, Neighbors, Countrymen,
Let it be known to all that Jacob Langley in DS is a hero of epic proportions. Thanks for helping us look good. We couldn't have done it without you.
XOXO - GA1 Dais

Langley for EC!
-Hugs, Hagar

Geronimo!

Committee Recaps: The Work of the United Nations Never Stops

By Marcus Taylor
GA First Committee

After ending the afternoon session with a series of parliamentary delay tactics in order to suspend the meeting for the afternoon break, the First Committee was able to resume debate on the topic of disarmament, with a total of three resolutions passed on the subject: GA1/II/6, GA1/II/10 and GA1/II/9. Respectively, these motions addressed topics requesting regional organizations in disarmament measures and instituting arms buy-back programs, requesting that all member states regulate arms transfers within the bounds of the International Tracing Instrument and lastly, limiting the importation of assault rifle ammunition into states with existing United Nations peacekeeping missions.

Following the passage of these three resolutions, the body voted by an overwhelming majority to move to Topic One, which addresses the problem of Information and Technology in International Security. The remainder of the committee session was dedicated to discussing the three resolutions on the floor regarding this topic, although only one resolution, GA1/II/2, was passed by a margin of 51/12/5, shortly before the committee broke to set the order of consideration of draft resolutions in the GA Plenary.

By Samuel Krischenheiter
GA Second Committee

The Second Committee of the General Assembly will join with the other Committees Tuesday for a session of the combined General Plenary. Thus far, the Second Committee has passed two resolutions: GA2/II/1 and GA2/II/3, outlining possible plans for dealing with climate change and carbon pollution. It will be interesting to see whether this topic of discussion continues into the combined GA as debate continues.

By Stephanie Warner
GA Third Committee

The 3rd Committee passed Resolution GA3/II/1 Monday night with a vote of 37/31/38 and

clauses 10 and 11 divided out. Resolution GA3/II/2 failed after being divided into two parts, where both parts failed. The Committee also passed the order in which they will consider the resolutions at the combined plenary. In a speech addressing their failed bid for statehood, Palestine expressed their disappointment in the United Nations. In the course of the speech, the representative of Palestine referred to the State of Israel torturing Palestinians to which the State of Israel requested a Right of Reply to refute this statement as false.

By Darren Meeker
GA Sixth Committee

A group from Sixth Committee held a press conference Monday night to bring forth the problems that have been occurring in committee. Representatives from Djibouti, Estonia, Iran, Estonia and the Dominican Republic reached an agreement that the main issue in committee was the fact that a consensus could not be reached. The representative of Iran stated that there has been, "more focus on personal politics instead of working together to create something that is best for the majority."

Representative Eddie Erhart of Kyrgyzstan said that their delegation agrees with the aforementioned representatives, but he would like to state that there has been much cooperation between countries in informal debate - despite what appears to be little cooperation in formal debate. Representative Erhart and the representative of Djibouti both agree that some countries are not playing their role properly, which greatly decreases the effectiveness of this committee.

By Hillary Thornton
General Assembly Plenary

The GA Plenary began discussion on Topic Two, Global Initiative to Fight Human Trafficking, Monday evening. GAPlen/II/1 went through several voting phases and a large amount of caucus time. Some delegations

were concerned about one of the clauses found in the resolution. Clause 6 reads "Encourages Member States to create safe havens for victims of trafficking that include..." The technicalities of this clause greatly concerned some delegations. These delegations called for a division of the question by roll call vote and before the vote, the GA broke into caucus time.

By Ted Goodman
WHA

The World Health Assembly passed its first resolution today, which was authored by Nepal. The resolution focused on the human resource development aspect of the Public Health, Innovation and Intellectual Properties report. Nepal wished to thank the Czech Republic, Luxembourg, Lithuania, Georgia, and Thailand for support and help with the creation of this resolution. Nepal believes this resolution addresses the issue of skilled medical workers leaving rural, under developed areas for developed regions. The resolution passed 63/1/14.

In a separate development, The United States, with Chile, the Russian Federation and Japan at their side, conducted a press conference in response to a news segment printed in Sunday Evenings edition of the *Chronicle*, under the heading, "WHA: Does the US Care?" The United States felt personally attacked, claiming that they are not apathetic. However, the United States stated, "I agree, I had failed to address the WHA as a whole." The United States acknowledged that they did not formally address the WHA until after press time of the article.

Two more resolutions were passed Monday, dealing with the topic of noncommunicable diseases. The *Chronicle* will have more on these two resolutions in the afternoon edition.

By Stephanie Warner
CSD

The CSD passed Resolution CSD/I/6 by consensus, with two abstentions, after also adopting Amendments A and B Monday night. They took a one minute suspension to sing "Happy Birthday" to the representative from Uruguay, and they spent most of the evening working on their draft report for Topic One Sustainable Agriculture and Rural Development, which summarizes the debate on Topic One and includes the resolutions passed.

By Samuel Krischenheiter
ECE

Late Monday night the Economic Commission for Europe closed debate on its report on global climate change and possible suggestions for decreasing the amount of carbon pollution produced by member nations. This report was passed by a vote of 26/1/4, with only the delegation from the Russian Federation voicing objection to the report. This report will be turned into the Economic and Social Council for review by the member nations of ECOSOC.

By Benjamin Theobald
ECOSOC

The Economic and Social Council is considering passing resolution ECOSOC/II/7. The resolution largely notes concern of Israeli's policy in Palestine. The major debate of the resolution has been whether or not to strike the word "statehood" as an inalienable right to self-determination. Many members of ECOSOC express concern about having language in a resolution that expresses that statehood as an inalienable right.

By Leyla Falhan
HSC 2003

On Monday night, the Historical Security Council of 2003 gathered for an emergency session because of an Israel Air Force strike inside Syrian territory. Representative Tania Kuttub of Israel stated that the village of Ain Al Sahib, Syr-

ia, was hosting a training camp, which threatened the national security of Israel. While Israel defined this airstrike as self-defense, the Syrian Arab Republic stated that this action violated its sovereignty and killed innocent people. At press time, Chile was working on a draft resolution to create an infrastructure in the UN to prevent the use of unilateral military action as a response to terrorism.

By Jordan Sarchett
SC

The contemporary Security Council spent Tuesday morning, beginning at 1:00 am, in an emergency conference concerning volatile situations in the Middle East and Africa. Alarmed by the immense humanitarian right violations being committed in the countries of Sudan and South Sudan, including 300,000 people dead and 3 million displaced, the council immediately pushed through resolution SC/5. The resolution was adopted by consensus in the body and calls for an immediate cease fire, a no fly zone, an implementation of UN peace keepers in key cities. It welcomes the creation of an international fund to aid in the situation. Overwhelmingly pleasing to the council, as well as to the representatives from Sudan and South Sudan who were parties to the council's meeting.

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You Make Me Want to Dance!

By Darren Meeker
IPD Reporter

Barely able to hear each other speak, people tried their hardest to converse with their counterparts. The music was blaring, bodies were bumping and no one cared what they looked like on the dance floor. One representative from Iran said that he "dances for himself, not for the other people."

No matter how loud the music was, when a well-known song came over the speakers, everyone screamed and stepped up their dance moves. By the end of the night, most people were exhausted after a long weekend of committee accompanied by the non-stop dancing that occurred. Overall, a large number of representatives made an appearance, if only for a little while.



This Representative, unidentified, obviously enjoyed his time at the dance. Hopefully, so did everyone else.

The Down-Low on the EXPO

By Jordan Sarchett
IPD Reporter

On Tuesday from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm there will be a collection of various grad and law schools on the Ballroom Promenade. Many of the schools, such as Pace Law, are here for the first time and are really excited to see how their school's appeal to the students. Rachel Trauner, the admissions recruitment counselor from Pace Law, is really enjoying being at the AMUN Conference and struck up a friendship with the admission's counselor from Drexel University, who is also here for the first time. Another admissions counselor from Emory University, Kharen Fulton, said "this is a goodie van"

of students. She said that the students with whom she has talked thus far have seemed intelligent and driven. The Seattle University admissions counselor has been to this conference for the last four years and really enjoys her presentation at this conference because the atmosphere and students are both enjoyable. The Grad School and Career Expo is an exciting way for students to establish communication with universities. The schools will be set up along the Ballroom Promenade until 1:00 pm and are excited to meet the students of the 2011 AMUN Conference.