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## American Model United Nations

## **General Assembly First Committee**

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SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Convention on the prohibition of the development, production and stockpiling of bacteriological (biological) and toxin weapons and on their destruction

SUBMITTED TO: The General Assembly First Committee

The General Assembly First Committee,

Recognizing the importance of the prevention of producing and stockpiling biological weapons and the benefit of universal acceptance of the Biological Weapons Convention 3 (BWC), 4

Approving of the goals of the Implementation Support Unit to achieve greater compliance and support and assistance for national implementation,

Deeply concerned about the potential threats that infectious disease carries, whether conventional or not,

Believing in the ability of state parties to adhere to the convention by aiding in the signing and ratification of the convention by non-signatories,

Guided by the main articles of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxic Weapons and on Their Destruction from 1972,

- 1. Requests the acknowledgment of domestic issues that might supersede adherence to this convention by the global community;
- 2. Applauds collective monetary support by Member States geared towards supporting states in process of implementation;
- 3. Suggests multi-party efforts similar in structure to that of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), reporting to and receiving support from the UN General Assembly;
- 5. Supports independent efforts by Member States that aid in the development of research facilities that will seek to develop treatments against infectious diseases that result from natural sources of biological weapons;

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discussion of the BWC globally.

infectious diseases:

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and security through both ratification and adherence;

6. *Underlines* the importance of educating both signatory and non-signatory nations on the potential dangers of biological testing along with the benefits biological agents can

7. Welcomes universal adherence to the BWC in order to preserve international peace

9. Encourages greater cooperation in multilateral efforts to provide opportunities for

8. *Emphasizes* the need to take precautionary action through the development of vaccines and other medicines that will reduce the spread and life-threatening effects of