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American Model United Nations General Assembly Third Committee

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SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Rights of indigenous peoples

SUBMITTED TO: The General Assembly Third Committee

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Emphasizing that there is a diversity in Member States' approaches to the issues and needs of indigenous or ethnic minorities,

Understanding the importance of the presence of indigenous peoples in nearly every country, and their contributions to the current culture of each Member State,

Reaffirming the importance of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, which protects all peoples and the advancement of Member States as a whole,

Taking into consideration the definition of indigenous as unique to every Member State of the global community,

Recognizing that each country is the most familiar with their own history, territory and peoples, and has jurisdiction and sovereignty over operations within their own boundaries,

Emphasizing that there is a diversity in Member States' approaches to the issues and needs of indigenous or ethnic minorities,

Further emphasizing the domino effect of improved domestic relations, which will inevitably extend to benefit the global community as a whole,

Striving for simplicity, clarity and flexibility in the diplomatic process,

- 1. Other organizations to benefit each Member States' specific needs;
- Recommends that Member States investigate the following organizations as potential support services and consider utilizing them to assist in their efforts to support all peoples within their population:
- (a) International Fund for Agricultural Development Indigenous Peoples Assistance, which historically has supported marginalized groups with increasing employment rates;
- (b) Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, which makes sure countries are upholding the standards of the International Convention the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination;
- (c) United Nations Central Emergency Response Fund, which reaches out to the most vulnerable populations;
 - (d) Other organizations to benefit each Member States' specific needs;
- 3. Urges Member States to maintain human rights for all people as set by the United Nations Declaration of Human Rights;
 - 4. Welcomes the additional passage of other resolutions to cover a broad range of topics;
- 5. *Invites* Member States to work together to address the strain placed on indigenous refugee host states that may have limited resources.

Passed by consensus, with 0 abstentions

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