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Committee: Human Rights Council

Topic: Promotion and protection of all human rights, civil, political, economic, social and cultural rights, including the Right to Development

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2 *The Human Rights Council,*
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4 *Understanding* the current economic disparity within developing Member States,
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6 *Recognizing* the importance of financing for the success of the post 2015 development agenda, which ensures a
7 human rights based approach to development,
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9 *Bearing in mind* that all people should be afforded the right to sustainable development and access to affordable
10 healthcare,
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12 *Realizing* the Convention on the Rights of the Child and the need for comprehensive maternal and child healthcare
13 program that will both honor local traditions and provide access to safe medical care in an effort to promote healthy
14 mothers and babies and save lives,
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16 *Understanding* that infectious diseases are indiscriminate and affect all Member States and furthermore have the
17 capacity to decimate populations,
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19 *Citing* the need to remain committed to promoting the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) with particular
20 emphasis on Goal 2, 3, 6,8, and 11,
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22 *Recalling* General Assembly Resolution S-19/29 (1997) and, Security Council Resolution 2177 (2014) in promoting
23 sustainable development, the Declaration to the Right to Development and providing universal access to basic social
24 services, including basic education, healthcare, nutrition clean water and sanitation,
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26 *Recognizing* the importance of education to contain infectious diseases, such as Ebola, and that the World Health
27 Organization (WHO) has estimated that two thirds of the cases of the current outbreak of Ebola in Guinea alone
28 have resulted from lack of information of the disease and improper burial practices,
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30 *Recognizing* that the United Nations International Children Relief Fund (UNICEF) was established in 1946, and
31 later joining the United Nations in 1953, the overall goal is to create a framework to protect and ensure safety for all
32 children affected by civil strife,
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34 *Deeply concerned* with the economic toll infectious diseases, such as Ebola, have taken on regions, such as West
35 Africa, resulting in \$32 billion USD of loss in economic development,
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37 *Reiterating* the importance of transparency within supplying direct development aid, as brought forth by the United
38 Nations Development Program's (UNDP) International Aid Transparency Initiative (IATI) by applying the
39 commitments set forth by paragraph 24 of the Accra Agenda for Action stating that developing states are expected
40 to publicly disclose all revenues, expenditures, and budgets,
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42 *Acknowledging* commitments made by Member States to allocate 0.7% of their GDP to the Official Development
43 Assistance (ODA), established by the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)
44 Development Assistance Committee (DAC),
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46 *Recognizing* the increasing incidences of health issues, particularly Ebola, which impact disproportionately women
47 and youth particularly in regions such as West Africa,
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49 *Strongly emphasizing* the role women play in West Africans families as the primary caretaker of affected family
50 members and their direct exposure to infectious diseases such as Ebola,
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52 *Reaffirming* the threat infectious diseases such as Ebola poses to the Right to Development and the Universal
53 Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR), through the economic and humanitarian crises created by the deteriorating
54 health and welfare of a population, and the violation of the most precious of human rights the right to life, health and
55 security,
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- 57 1. *Calls upon* Member States to recognize the importance of Security Council Resolution 2177 (2014) and its
58 motion to lift isolation measures placed on Ebola afflicted states which are directly responsible for the economic
59 crisis in West Africa;
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- 61 2. *Calls upon* Member States to expand voluntary contributions and commitments to the Ebola Emergency Response
62 Mission to fulfill the \$1 billion USD requested budget requested by the World Health Organization;
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- 64 3. *Encourages* Developed Member States to supplement ODA requirements by way of innovative financing
65 measures, an allocated dollar amount which France has realized as a stable funding mechanism;
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- 67 4. *Calls Upon* all Member States to commit to the publishing requirements of the IATI, ensuring proper allocation of
68 ODA Funds;
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- 70 5. *Creates* an accountability framework that ensures funds previously committed to the ODA are supplemented by
71 Member States' voluntary contributions, suggesting Member States augment their Universal Periodic Review
72 reports with transparency data;
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- 74 6. *Further concerned by* the economic disparity between developing and developed countries, and reiterates the need
75 to reduce this disparity gap;
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- 77 7. *Recommends* that Save the Children United Nations International Children's Relief Fund to build permanent and
78 sustainable family care centers and assistive relief funds that will subsidize widows' income;
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- 80 8. *Recommends* to the United Nations International Children's Relief Fund to reinstate their Plan of Action for
81 Orphaned and Vulnerable Children which was greatly effective in Mozambique in providing humanitarian services
82 to children, to be tailored to meet needs in regions such as West Africa;
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- 84 9. *Strongly reaffirms* the need of improved education regarding hygienic practices and of infectious diseases:
85 a. Recognizing unhygienic tribal burials practices have greatly contributed to the spread of disease;
86 b. Understanding that violent murders have been committed against doctors in Guinea by the local
87 population due to spiritual beliefs that the doctors are transmitters and creators of the virus;
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- 89 10. *Recommends* the World Health Organization and the United Nations Development Program reaffirm to fulfill its
90 commitments in previous action taken to combat Ebola and that a permanent sustainable and resilient health care
91 infrastructure be built in Ebola afflicted states to ensure such a crisis never occurs;
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- 93 11. *Recommends* the United Nations Development Group to construct a schedule in cooperation with the Ebola
94 Response Multi-Partner Trust Fund that will ensure monetary commitments made by the Member States be
95 deposited to participating organizations of the Ebola Emergency Response Mission to ensure:
96 a. A speedy and coordinated U.N. action against Ebola;
97 b. Scheduling of a monthly transfer goals to ensure adequate funding is available for humanitarian efforts
98 and treatment efforts;
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- 100 12. *Reaffirms Member States* commitment to ensuring that the health needs of West Africa are comprehensibly
101 addressing all afflicted states.