

## **Committee: Social, Cultural, & Humanitarian Committee**

Topic: Lack of Education in Refugee Camps

Sponsor: Uruguay

The General Assembly,

Realizing that there are over 18 million refugees under the United Nations' jurisdiction on the continent of Africa alone,

Fully aware that it is not safe for these refugees to return to their homelands due to the violent, ongoing crisis situations in Nigeria, South Sudan, and the Central African Republic,

Recalling that the majority of these refugees are living in refugee camps on the continent,

Concerned about the statements made by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) in August confirming that less than half of the children in the aforementioned refugee camps are getting an education,

Taking into consideration that a major deterrent for nations that could potentially house refugees is refugees' lack of education and subsequent dependence on welfare,

1. Adopts a policy of universal education up to at least the secondary level for every child raised in refugee camps,
2. Directs the construction of primary and secondary schools where students will be required to:
  - a.) Develop skills in math, science, and the liberal arts
  - b.) Learn the language of the country to which their guardians have applied for a visa
  - c.) Develop professional skills in a relevant trade of each student's choice
3. Designates an organization with the purpose of overseeing the improvement of education by developing standardized tests, which will be distributed to each student of the aforementioned schools to determine whether a camp's education system is adequate;
4. Requests aid in the above endeavors from international organizations that are committed to educating children in third-world countries, such as Teachers Without Borders and Teachers in Action;
5. Calls upon assembled body of the international community to consider these changes an incentive to open more borders and provide a better life for innocent victims of international violence;

6. Expresses its hope that the General Assembly will support the above plan in the spirit of educating future advocates for peace, rather than conflict, in African nations.