QUESTION OF : USING EDUCATION AS AN EFFECTIVE TOOL TO COMBAT VIOLENT EXTREMISM

The General Assembly,

Deeply disturbed by the fact that extremism through terrorism has greatly affected the structural and moral stability of educational institutions,

Noting with regret that the sponsors of this resolution are affected by racism and social inequality and that education is a powerful tool to combat these problems in the long run,

Grieved by the fact that ongoing conflicts and wars among states lead to the destruction of educational infrastructure,

Expressing deep concern that certain countries are becoming increasingly authoritarian and people have less say in matters concerning their own country,

Deeply regretting that some countries are affected by corruption which impedes the development of education facilities,

1. Urges member states to review and enhance education curriculum to ensure the sensitivity of context, including conflict and disaster by paying attention to disparities and developing conflict sensitive education policies;
2. Requests UNESCO to provide assistance to deliver education programmes that build young people’s resilience to violent extremist messaging and address the concrete challenges posed by violent extremism through the ‘Teachers’ Guide on the Prevention of Violent Extremism’;

3. Supports formal education systems which provide an opportunity to promote social, psychological, emotional and intellectual development;

4. Invites the United Nations Counter-Terrorism Committee and its Executive Directorate to encourage relevant regional and sub-regional organisations to create an/or strengthen counter-terrorism mechanism;

5. Calls upon member states to reinforce security at land borders by safeguarding lawful trade, travel, and dismantling transnational criminal and terrorist organization;

6. Stresses the raising of awareness of global inequalities that encompass class, race, age, gender, ethnicity, and the sexual orientation inequalities of individuals through educational campaigns;

7. Emphasizes the importance of better school environment in order to convince the stakeholders to trust teachings of the school and making it easier to instill values and beliefs of peace, tolerance, anti-violence and concord in the minds of students;
8. **Recommends** that member states adopt a policy which aims at abolishing school fees and reducing university fees;

9. **Invites** member states to request financial assistance from the World Bank to acquire sufficient funds for educational purposes;

10. **Supports initiatives** aiming at educating students against the practice of endemic corruption so as to prevent violent extremism cases;

11. **Draws the attention** of member states to the importance of having preventive measures against bullying and marginalization at school as these are some of the push factors that leads to the recruitment of youth into extremist groups.