

Proposals for Resolutions

03 Proposed Resolution by the IAW Peace Commission

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The 39th Congress of the INTERNATIONAL ALLIANCE OF WOMEN

Considering that the UN Security Council structure should be reformed as soon as possible on the basis of equal responsibilities and shared power;

is of the opinion that the UN General Assembly should urgently setup a task force mandated for creating structural changes of the UNSC in order to become operational and serving the UN Charter. This process should urgently come into force and produce a first draft in a timely manner;

calls on the UNGA, UNSG and this upcoming task force to change the structure in such a way that all UN member states will be in charge to keep, shape and sustain peace by shared and equal power of member states of all regions by alternating terms and in a balanced relation of regions. The veto powers' rights must be eliminated;

further calls on the UNGA and the UNSG and all members states that this task force should discuss their proposals system wide within the UN and ensure that it shall be composed by 50 percent of women delegates and the stakeholders involved as experts shall be consisting of 50 percent of women, also young women, youth in general, indigenous women and men, vulnerable groups and minorities and citizens from regions under war shall be invited for contributions and listened to;

finally calls on the UNGA, the UNSG, the permanent and former and current non-permanent UNSC members and all member states, civil society and all stakeholders to support these efforts and donate resources and capacities for any support to this reforms end.

The 39th Congress of the INTERNATIONAL ALLIANCE OF WOMEN calls on its members to

* provide advocacy for the reform of the UNSC's structure to national governments

*provide advocacy to all relevant UN entities

Justification

IAW through its membership and expertise and as representing a number of women citizens and their families of this world cannot live any longer under climate catastrophe in a situation of war, terror, threats and deepening divides. IAW as well as most of UN member states and their stakeholders know: Peace is a prerequisite for survival.

Having observed the UNSC through its almost eight decades IAW has to resume that member states, the UNGA and the United Nations as a whole had missed out on the big chance in the 1990th and at the end of the 20th century to adjust and change the composition and structures of the UNSC to cope with the challenges for a less divided peaceful world to step in full shared and equal responsibility for keeping and shaping peace. With the end of the East/West-conflict was the great momentum to eliminate the major reason for the still existing power composition of the five veto powers who can as we had to witness far too often block all attempts for peace negotiations or UN driven peace efforts. The call for an UNSCR reform only shortly showed up at the beginning of the 21st Century to be silenced. Meanwhile it became obvious that the UNSC increasingly undermined its main duties under the UN Charter.

We do not forget that we had witnessed and welcomed the binding progress by the UNSCR 1325 framework, and some other initiatives and inventions, but in many cases we had observed insufficiency or reluctance of the UNSC to respond generally to aggressions, use of banned weapons, armed conflicts, war crimes. For any progress by the UNSCR 1325's requirement after a war, its crimes and consequences once started had been impossible to invent. And, far too often we have seen the "Women, Peace and Security" Agenda has been side tracked or not even at all acknowledged.

The 2022 war against Ukraine which has caused on top of a health and care crisis the hunger and energy crisis, the global cost-of-living crisis which once more is hitting women and civilians of all gender and is left to be tackled on the ground to the rural women's shoulders and women in community shoulders is only one of the too many shameful proofs of the dysfunctional state of the UNSC.

Having listened to the 77th UNGA we took notice that the UN Secretary General found finally the courage to name the problem. We appreciated to hear so many state's leaders were calling for the change of the UNSC's structures. We are in full support. We see an urgent need to plan, negotiate and implement these structural changes now!