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QUESTION OF: ENSURING ACCESS TO HUMANITARIAN AID IN CONFLICT ZONES.

The General Assembly,

Fully aware of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights through Resolution 217 A (III) on 10 December 1948 and the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights highlight the importance of promoting and protecting Human Rights,

Recalling the General Assembly resolution 46/182, stating the strengthening of the coordination of the Humanitarian emergency assistance of the United Nations,

Stressing the importance of accountability for all violations and abuses of human rights and international humanitarian law, and calling upon the authorities to cooperate fully with relevant international mechanisms, including the International Criminal Court,

Expressing deep concern for ongoing violence and armed conflicts making it dangerous for aid workers to operate and for aid convoys to travel safely with an estimation of 14% of the world population exposed to conflict,

Noting the fact that the United Nations faces significant financial obstacles such as inadequate resources for staffing, security, transportation and infrastructure, thus hindering the provision of life-saving assistance to affected populations and needs reform, particularly in the humanitarian realm,

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Keeping in mind that during times of conflicts, human rights are violated, women especially, are doubly oppressed owing to disruption of social structures, thus, becoming victims of violence, sexual exploitation and human trafficking,

Having devoted attention to areas with multiple armed groups or governing authorities, noticing coordination and access can be complex and challenging as in 2023 there were over 450 armed groups that were of global humanitarian concern,

Deeply regretting that access to essential health care services has been stopped,

Recognising the fact that the cruel, inhumane and degrading treatment, punishment and other related abuses to extract confession or information, including beating and firing several shots near victims, as well as physical and sexual violence are common inhuman practices,

1. Stresses the importance of accountability for all violations and abuses of human rights and international humanitarian law, and calls upon the authorities to cooperate fully with relevant International mechanisms, including the International Criminal Court;

2. Expresses its appreciation to the United Nations, the International Committee of the Red-Cross and the World Health Organisation which abide by the international humanitarian law and ensure prompt delivery of basic food commodities and essential services to war inflicted people;

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3. Demands use of military forces to secure routes for aid delivery while respecting humanitarian principles and impartiality, USA having one of the highest military population, 1.3 million;

4. Further requests the provision of essential maternal and new born healthcare services to reduce maternal and infant mortality rates and ensure safer childbirth experiences for women;

5. Recommends utilisation of technologies like drones and satellite imagery to monitor and ensure safe delivery of aid in collaboration with the Office Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) in order to enhance its coordination mechanism by implementing advanced information;

6. Considers humanitarian needs that contribute to fostering stability and security in affected areas by meeting basic needs and restoring essential services and help mitigate grievances, reduce tensions and create conditions for peace and development;

7. Instructs health care facilities which are equipped with medicines and medical equipment to ensure treatment of injured victims as well as provide nutritional supplements to improve children's health and development;

8. Encourages the establishment of humanitarian access to affected areas and pursue dialogue and reconciliation effort to resolve the conflict peacefully.