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QUESTION OF: **COMBATting SYSTEMATIC RACISM**

The General Assembly,

Noting with concern the ongoing issues of systematic racism and discrimination which have been manifesting in various social, economic and political domains,

Deeply concerned by the challenges these minorities face, namely, barriers to employment opportunities, racial income gaps, mental health issues, obstacles to homeownership among others,

Recognizing the urgent need to address the global fight against racism,

1. Requests the incorporation of a new curriculum including comprehensive education on history and ethnic backgrounds of all students to create a more inclusive learning environment and promote understanding and respect for all ethnic and religious groups from a young age;
2. Emphasizes the need to spread awareness about racism through nationwide campaigns to educate the public about impacts of racism;
3. Endorses the importance of taking affirmative actions, where people of different origins are empowered and where a culture of supporting diversity and inclusion is nurtured;

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4. Encourages the national government to establish an accountability mechanism and to review, amend and enforce its existing laws and policies to ensure they provide adequate protection against racial discrimination and align with the UN declaration on human rights defenders;
5. Ensures the representation of underrepresented ethnic groups and minorities in the legislative bodies to ensure their voices are heard and interests are considered in decision making processes.