

Commission: **HEALTH**

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QUESTION OF: **ASSESSING THE ISSUE OF MANDATORY VACCINES**

The General Assembly,

Deeply concerned about the proliferating cases multifarious diseases such as Malaria, Measles, Polio, HIV, Cholera, Yellow fever, Pertussis,

Deploring the mediocre level of awareness and education about the importance of vaccination - to dispel misinformation and myths,

Expressing deep concern about infrastructural problems resulting in distribution and transportation issues, particularly in remote and isolated areas in certain countries,

Recalling that Vaccination programs are one of the most successful and cost-effective public health interventions ever developed,

Noting with concern the innumerable cases of infant death prevailing in various countries, for example- Madagascar, Kenya, Democratic Republic of Congo,

Highlighting the ethical considerations and the need to balance individual rights with public health needs in implementing mandatory vaccination policies,

Fully alarmed that previous evidence has indicated that perceptions that vaccines are of low importance, as well as concerns about vaccine safety, vaccine effectiveness, and the perceived religious compatibility of vaccination, are some of the most common reasons for vaccine hesitancy and refusal globally,

1.Calls upon international organisations WHO, GAVI for funding of vaccinations in poor countries;

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2. Emphasises educational campaigns to provide multilingual resources to provide vaccines information in multiple languages to cater to diseases communities, ensuring language barriers do not affect vaccination efforts;

3. Further recommends distribution access of vaccines in remote areas by providing mobile health care units;

4. Encourages sensitization campaigns to combat vaccines hesitancy and misinformation promoting evidence-based information on vaccines safety and efficiency to promote vaccine confidence;

5. Requests that countries such as US, UK, and Germany support research and development of new vaccines and improvements to existing one, fostering innovation in vaccines technology and delivery methods as well as ensuring their reliability;

6. Affirming that the provision of on-site vaccines would be accessible when offering flexible hours to accommodate different schedule 24/7;

7. Encourages compulsory vaccination at school for students;

8. Calls for member states to prioritize the distribution of COVID-19 vaccines alongside flu vaccines, recognizing the potential for flu virus mutations and the importance of preventive measures to protect public health;

9. Recommends free preventive vaccines and childcare expenses related to vaccination appointments against polio mutated virus;

10. Authorises specific vaccination campaign for hepatitis A & hepatitis B;

11. Recommends that immunization programs need to be prepared to take advantage of media opportunities.