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QUESTION OF: DESIGNING AND IMPLEMENTING PARTICIPATORY MEASURES TO ENHANCE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES, IN PARTICULAR FOR WOMEN, YOUTH AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES IN SIDS, THROUGH PARTNERSHIP AND CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT

The General Assembly,

<u>Conscious</u> of the high unemployment rate among women, youth and persons with disabilities in SIDS,

<u>Observing</u> the low participation rate of women in decision making positions,

<u>Deeply concerned</u> by the fact that poverty and unemployment affect groups of vulnerable people within countries,

<u>Alarmed</u> by the fact that most companies from the private sector refuse to recruit disabled workers and when they do, they fail to offer them the right working conditions,

<u>Recognizing</u> the need for SIDS to promote gender equality and tackle discrimination against women and persons with disabilities,

<u>Mindful</u> that youngsters who have just graduated are not able to be employed because companies often give priority to candidates with prior experience, Commission : Small Island Developing States Sponsors : Bahamas, China, Cuba, Greece, Indonesia, Jamaica, Japan, Maldives, Mauritius, Netherlands, Thailand, Venezuela

- 1. <u>Calls upon</u> the UN to build leadership programmes for the empowerment of women;
- <u>Further recommends</u> the presence of more women in the political and managerial spheres while also requesting member states to ensure that stronger measures are being implemented against gender disparity;
- 3. <u>Appeals</u> to member states to provide funds for infrastructure building and improving roads, railways and airports to strengthen domestic competitiveness and provide jobs for youth hence reducing unemployment;
- 4. <u>Urges</u> governments from around the world to fund pivate sector strategies in collaboration with SIDS to promote employment;
- 5. <u>Further</u> appeals to the international community to set up a social security system funded by business organizations that include a disability pension;
- 6. <u>Expresses its conviction</u> that laws should be passed in favour of the rights of workers with disabilities;
- <u>Supports</u> small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) and Multi-National Companies (MNCs) and encourage them to formulate promotion plans to innovate and to recruit more native workers;
- 8. <u>Appeals</u> for foreign aid from the World Trade Organisation (WTO) for an easier achievement of the targets of SIDS;
- 9. <u>Approves</u> interventionist policies which are helping to provide education and training to youngsters to offer them a greater chance of getting employed in the specialized industries in the country;

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- 10. <u>Recommends</u> implementing special education programmes that help both youngsters and persons with disabilities to have better opportunities;
- 11. <u>Calls upon</u> member states for support to develop science, communication, ICT and other technologies to render SIDS more resourceful enabling them to face various challenges;