

Committee: DISEC

Question of: The Protection of North Korean Defectors: Exploitation, Trafficking, and Refoulement

Main Submitter: Singapore

Signatories: Mexico and Mongolia

Deeply concerned that the situations of human rights in DPRK lacks improvements for the past few years,

Bearing in mind that defectors of North Korea are escapees of hardships and oppression to seek opportunities for a livelihood,

Noting with disapproval with the penalties government of North Korea imposes on repatriated defectors such as but not limited to torture or other serious human rights violations,

1. Encourages the Chinese government to take responsibility in ensuring the security of North Korean defectors through ways such as but not limited to:
 - a. requesting the Chinese government to cease the capture and return of North Korean defectors back to North Korea,
 - b. reminding the political and social responsibility of China in the international regime,
 - c. asks China with roles in the United Nations Human Rights Council and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees to take initiatives in protecting the North Korean escapees,
 - d. encouraging the Chinese government to actively take part in the UNHCR's Global Compact on Refugees;

2. Calls for international efforts and cooperation to provide asylum to North Korean defectors in ways such as but not limited to:
 - a. engaging with the UNHCR and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees to provide adequate protection and access to escapees who cross the border and at are risk of serious human rights violation if repatriated,
 - b. asking international human rights organizations to increase patrolling in border areas of DPRK to receive defectors safely,
 - c. providing humanitarian assistance to those who escaped DPRK through ways such as:
 - i. providing settlement benefits through financial incentives and medical treatment,
 - ii. arranging housing through allocating rental apartments or providing additional housing subsidies,
 - iii. aiding employment through vocational training, career counseling, and settlement support for special employment;

3. Urges member states to persuade the government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to cease retributive measures conducted against defectors once repatriated in ways such as:
 - a. providing humanitarian aid to overcome the vulnerability of food security within the DPRK,

- b. fostering cooperation from the DPRK through removing sanctions such as the cessation of Western sanctions against DPRK to ensure stable economic activity in the global economy,
 - c. strengthening the role of already existing stakeholders such as the special three-member commission of inquiry to further investigate the widespread and systematic human rights violation, and to ensure full accountability of the government to its people;
- 4. Increase efforts to investigate ongoing trafficking, to prosecute trafficking offenses, and to protect North Korean defectors against traffickers;
 - a. strongly suggesting China and South Korea to create a community region for DPRK's defectors with the assurance of the quality of life and safety,
 - b. requesting to increase identifications of defectors and referral, especially for DPRK's defectors,
 - c. asking international investment on empowerment and education for women defectors from DPRK to take precaution against trafficking,
 - d. providing improved security and victims-centered care to help overcome victim's re-traumatization suffered in the mainland of North Korea previously;
- 5. Further encourages the funding on non-governmental organizations that readily supports the settlement and protection of North Korean defectors at an individual level through strict evaluation on verifying NGOs such as but not limited to;
 - a. monitoring the aims and missions of the organization and critically evaluate the actual impact of NGOs on supporting North Korean defectors to settle in a new environment,
 - b. emphasizing the implementation of federal funding for law enforcement efforts and victim services;
- 6. Calls for the implementation and allocation of sufficient resources to international anti-trafficking programs that are coordinated across the globe.