



ECOSOC - Combating Piracy in the Gulf of Guinea

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Co-submitters: Canada, Gabon

Signatories: Norway, Benin, France, Liberia, Ghana, Guinea, São Tomé & Príncipe, Indonesia

Preambulatory:

Bearing in mind that piracy is a complicated and deep international issue that requires a long-term and permanent solution

Alarmed by the number of pirate attacks that happened in the region in the last decade (around 859)

Having considered the fact that Corrupt individuals may be funding and protecting those pirates

Alarmed by the long continuation of piracy in the Gulf of Guinea

Recognizing economic instability and low social safety as a leading cause of piracy

Operative:

1. Requests the deployment of UN patrol boats in the Gulf of Guinea
2. Draws attention to the possibility of corruption within governments and companies
 - a. Requests GOG Countries to crack down on their high-ranking officials
 - b. Requests GOG Countries to crack down on corrupt companies responsible for docking ships
3. Requests more just punishments for pirates caught attacking ships in the GOG such as
 - a. Up to a life sentence in high-security prisons
 - i. For those involved with pirate attacks
 - ii. For those who indirectly supported the attacks
4. Requests the creation of the Bureau of Anti-Piracy (BAP)
 - a. All countries in agreement with the dangers of piracy will be a part of this council
 - i. This council will ensure any solutions made here today are maintained and are withheld
 - ii. Annual meetings will be held to constantly discuss the issue
 - iii. This council will support combating piracy in the Gulf of Guinea
5. Calls for the creation of a fund that supports countries in the Gulf of Guinea with things such as:
 - a. Training their navy
 - b. Providing weapons and vessels
 - c. Recruit more soldiers
 - d. Cracking down on corrupt officials
 - e. Strengthening their special operations teams to crack down on maritime kidnapping cases
6. Requests the deployment of armed UN peacekeepers on high-risk targets
7. Calling on all countries within the Gulf Of Guinea to cooperate with each other by
 - a. Allowing docking rights for the 13 countries in the GoG
 - b. Cooperative training sessions with others
 - c. Sharing information about piracy with each other
8. Asks for all CMF members, available, to lend 4% of their naval vessels on a rotating basis of 4 months to the Bureau of Anti Piracy (BAP)
9. Affirms that pirates who cooperate with officials and provide intel and information will
 - a. Have a reduced sentence
 - b. Be protected by the government
 - c. Be rewarded with a financial amount

9. Calls upon countries of the UN to financially support citizens in order to
- a. Reinforce public safety
 - b. Stabilize economic conditions