SAMPLE RESOLUTION 4

QUESTION OF: Enforcing stricter rules concerning the sale of weapons worldwide

THE DISARMAMENT COMMITTEE,

Realizing that the main reason behind weapon traffic is conflict as there is higher possibility of o civil conflict in places where governments are unstable and not transparent.

<u>Aware of the fact</u> that participants of conflict among countries obtain weapons through pillaging or black markets in South East Asia, Africa and Latin America

<u>Alarmed</u> by the fact that arms trafficking takes place through plundering or even the method of 3D printing, which may not manufacture weapons with quality, but contain mental elements difficult to be detected with X-ray scanners

<u>Fully alarmed</u> by the huge ongoing production of armaments and ammunition after cold war with Russia possessing more guns per person than any other county including the US, and Moscow offering firearm producers huge tax incentives and subsidies

<u>Declaring</u> the US as the main culpable of international trafficking with the largest proportion of guns recovered in crimes in Mexico, Canada and Japan being smuggled from the US

<u>Viewing with apprehension</u> the need for more proactive investigating approaches focusing not only on main offence but also to origin of the weapons

<u>Bearing</u> the rising of artisanal/ unlicensed manufacturing of weapons

Emphasizing the lack of specialized skills to investigate complex cases of firearms trafficking and its links to terrorism

- 1. <u>Demands</u> that people in the business of selling firearms in the US obtain a federal firearms license and maintain records of their inventory and the guns they sell through
 - Enhanced oversight of dealers by law enforcement including undercover sting operations which would eliminate trafficking
 - At the time being only 17 states require a federal firearms license
- 2. <u>Suggests</u> that measures be taken to prevent firearms moving from the licit to the illicit market within the US which can also reduce international trafficking
- 3. <u>Recommends</u> that purchasers of firearms from licensed dealers undergo a background check to verify eligibility status
 - a. People of certain categories such as convicted felons or mentally diseases should be prohibited from purchasing Guns
- 4. Certain laws should be enacted in order to cease what is called straw purchases that is people without a criminal history can buy guns and then sell them illegally to prohibited purchasers
 - a. The law should ensure that those private sellers be criminally accountable for an unlawful sale
- 5. Requests mandatory theft reporting
 - a. If laws which require prompt reporting of thefts do exist, then owner accountability is certain to be enhanced
- 6. <u>Solemnly affirms</u> that nation states should not authorize the transfer of conventional weapons to groups they know that would

use them for criminal purposes such as war crimes, genocides and terrorist attacks

- 7. <u>Emphasizes</u> that all countries should present data on their imports and exports, equipment of its armed forces and purchases associated with national production of major arms to the UN's Secretariat annually.
- 8. Recommends the prohibition of the supply of arms and ammunition to areas of instability such as the middle East and Mexico
- 9. <u>Encourages</u> strict penalties on countries which violate the humanitarian zone and drastic measures on behalf of the governments of powerful nations against trafficking
- 10. <u>Supports</u> countries to impose effective methods to trace weapons and the providers of illegal weapons
 - Accurate information on ammunition is a vital element of tackling the illegal weapons trade as numerous stockpiles located in populated areas result in horrific casualties annually
 - Advanced technology is vital to detect, investigate and prosecute firearms trafficking and its links to terrorism and organized crime
- 11. Urges the Global Firearms Programme to counter illicit arms trafficking and related organized crime through
 - effective international co operations and information exchange among powerful nations such as the US, Russia and China
- 12. <u>Suggests</u> the implementation of preventive and security measures such as
 - a. The Marking of firearms and effective record keeping

b. Strict security of firearms and ammunition stocks