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**Committee:** General Assembly

**Topic:** Assistance to Palestinian Refugees

1 *The General Assembly Plenary,*

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3 *Realizing the emphasis on Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) in providing assistance to Palestinian refugees,*

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5 *Recalling General Assembly Resolution 37/120 (J), which explicitly adds protection to the list of United Nations*  
6 *Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA) responsibilities, urging the Agency to “undertake*  
7 *effective measures to guarantee the safety and security and the legal and human rights of the Palestinian refugees in*  
8 *the occupied territories,”*

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10 *Acknowledging that currently, Palestine has over 5.1 million displaced people,*

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12 *Recalling A/RES/67/19 which affirms its determination to contribute to the achievement of the inalienable rights of*  
13 *the Palestinian people and the attainment of a peaceful settlement of the Middle East,*

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15 *Noting with deep concern the lack of funding to UNRWA, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees*  
16 *(UNHCR), and United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF) to better assist the Palestinian refugees,*

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18 *Reaffirming A/RES/67/116, which outlines the need for progress on addressing the needs and rights of children*  
19 *which includes the protection of children from exploitation in the labor market,*

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21 *Affirming the S/RES/1325, which aims to protect the rights of women in refugee camps,*

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23 *Drawing attention to S/2015/409 in the need of prioritizing children victims of armed conflict,*

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25 *Bearing in mind that the Universal Declaration of Human Rights article 13b, 14 and 15 states legislature that*  
26 *supports all refugees worldwide but especially Palestinian refugees,*

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28 *Reaffirming its resolution 33/1996 of 25 July 1996, which encourages governments to work with UN bodies aimed*  
29 *at improving the coordination and effectiveness of humanitarian assistance,*

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31 1. *Urges all member states of the United Nations to make contributions to ensure sufficient supplies and protection*  
32 *are allocated for the Palestinian People and their humanitarian aid supporters;*

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34 2. *Reiterates the need to protect children who are residing in Palestinian refugee camps specifically:*

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36 a. *The rights of said children, including the promotion of emotional health including:*

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38 i. *The need for host states to provide education in refugees’ own language;*

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40 ii. *Actions to maintain religion and rituals that promote cultural normalcy;*

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42 b. *Specific protocols that would protect children from sexual and physical violence while displaced,*  
43 *including:*

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45 i. *Reporting of incidents of abuse and assault to community policing groups and international*  
46 *civilian police monitors, such as the Internal Security Forces, to allow for intervention;*

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48 ii. *Strengthening UNHCR security personnel in locations in refugee camps where violence is more*  
49 *likely to occur such as reception centers, escape routes, and at night, as a measure for increased*  
50 *safety and liberty;*

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- iii. The availability of legal counselors to ensure prosecution of offenders who engage in violence against children;
  - 3. *Calls for* specific action on women’s rights in refugee camps, including:
    - a. Continued support for employment and other opportunities for women, to provide economic independence;
    - b. Collecting reports from within camps that represent the urgency of the needs of the female refugee community, to generate more proactive discussion pertaining to long-term solutions;
    - c. Provisions of women’s health clinics that address issues of sex abuse, and promote resiliency of refugees in camps;
    - d. Continued coordination with Non-Governmental Organizations (NGO), utilizing the basic organizational methods of the cluster system presented by Inter-Agency Standing Committee, specifically operating in areas of women’s rights, including the Women’s Refugee Commission, Amnesty International, and Refugees International;
  - 4. *Calls upon Member States* to increase the funding for numerous United Nations entities and nongovernmental organizations:
    - a. Suggests increasing funding from Members States to the UNHCR and the UNRWA as set out by the 5th GA Committee;
    - b. *Encouraging* the cooperation between Member States, inter-governmental organizations and relevant non-governmental organizations such as the Palestinian Children Relief Fund, and the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries’ Fund for International Development (OFID);
  - 5. *Calls upon Member States* to work with the aims and objectives of the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) to help combat the crisis that the Palestinian people are currently experiencing. The objectives including:
    - a. Continued support with other Member States who coordinate with Palestinians People during times of crisis;
    - b. Strengthening the IASC cluster system in regards to information management and reporting;
  - 6. *Reaffirms* the specific need of the Fifth Committee of the General Assembly to provide discretionary action in the provision of financial resources, especially in the humanitarian efforts to Palestinian refugees, to ensure accountability of funding between Member States, IGO’s, and NGO’s.