

RESOLUTION: POL IV/A
COUNCIL: Council on Political Affairs
TOPIC: Exploring ways to increase the political involvement of ethnic minorities across the Arab League.
SPONSORS: Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, Egypt, Bahrain, Algeria, Oman

Concerned by the lack of representation of minority groups,

Noting that the population of many of the Member States is comprised of a large proportion of workers who do not primarily reside in the country in which they work,

Commending the work done by the Arab League States on implementing reforms, and

Acknowledging that more can be done to increase political participation of ethnic and all minorities,

Be it hereby resolved by the League of Arab States:

1. **Establishes** a Committee to Investigate Political Representation (CIPR) that will,
 - a. Consist of experts from the LAS familiar with the subject, as well as input from outside experts and officials who will report their findings to the League of Arab States,
 - b. Research strategies for including under-represented groups, especially including women and migrant workers, in political processes without compromising national security,
 - c. Consult experts in the field of political inclusion,
 - d. Present their findings to the Arab League on a yearly basis;
2. **Proposes** that the CIPR be made up of experts selected through a process including,
 - a. Rigorous merit review by a board of Arab League appointees,
 - b. Preference is given to experts that have presented to the Arab League in the past;
3. **Encourages** the inclusion of minorities in political participation through an emphasis on the education of these minority groups that will be,
 - a. Offered through educational courses for all minority groups within each Member States, especially to educate migrant workers on the nature of Arab politics,
 - b. Offered through educational courses for non-minority groups on how to properly interact with said minority groups,

- c. Offered through educational courses for all citizens on how to encourage the inclusion of ethnic minorities within each Member States,
 - d. Funded through NGOs and willing and able Member States; and
4. **Suggests** a public service announcement and any additional initiatives focused on the political involvement of underrepresented vulnerable persons which will,
- a. Highlight women and their underrepresentation in political processes,
 - b. Pay special attention to women who are also members of an ethnic minority, as they are significantly underrepresented,
 - c. Introduce NGOs, as screened and approved by a simple majority among the member states, that assist in representing women in politics.

Signatories: Sudan, Palestine, Yemen