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Topic: The Question of Child Protection and Rights in Conflict-Affected Areas (in Gaza)

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The UNICEF Council,

Recognizing the critical importance of safeguarding the rights and well-being of children in conflict-affected areas,

Deeply concerned about the humanitarian situation in Gaza, where children are facing severe hardships due to ongoing conflict,

Acknowledging the international laws and conventions that protect the rights of children, including the Convention on the Rights of the Child,

Requests that international sanctions do not hinder the delivery of humanitarian aid, emphasizing the importance of ensuring that children and other vulnerable populations receive necessary assistance without obstruction.

Emphasizing the need for immediate and coordinated action to address the needs of children in conflict zones,

- 1. <u>Calls upon</u> all parties involved in the Gaza conflict to ensure the protection of children and to strictly adhere to international humanitarian law;
- 2. **Urges** the immediate provision of humanitarian aid to children in Gaza, including food, clean water, medical care, and shelter, through unimpeded access and coordinated efforts with international organizations;
- 3. <u>Supports</u> the establishment and protection of safe educational institutions and alternative learning environments to ensure continued access to education for children in conflict zones;
- 4. **Encourages** the implementation of comprehensive mental health and psychosocial support programs to assist children in coping with trauma and rebuilding their lives;
- 5. **<u>Stresses</u>** the importance of enforcing international laws that safeguard children's rights and holding violators accountable to prevent impunity;
- 6. <u>**Calls for**</u> diplomatic solutions to the Gaza conflict and other conflicts globally to reduce the impact on children and ensure their safety and well-being;
- 7. **Requests** the United Nations and international organizations to provide regular reports on the situation of children in conflict-affected areas and to monitor the implementation of child protection measures;

- 8. **Encourages** all member states to collaborate and share best practices for the protection of children in conflict zones and to support initiatives that aim to uphold the rights of children globally;
- 9. **Emphasizes** the need for sustained international cooperation and solidarity to address the root causes of conflicts and to create a more secure and stable environment for children worldwide.
- 10. <u>Encourages</u> member states to consider the humanitarian impact of sanctions and to work collaboratively to ensure that such measures do not hinder the delivery of essential aid and support to conflict-affected populations;
- 11. **Recommends** a review of current sanctions to assess their impact on humanitarian efforts and to explore possible adjustments that facilitate the unimpeded delivery of aid to children and other vulnerable groups in conflict zones.