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Agenda item: Moratorium on the execution of the death penalty

Sponsors: China, Cuba, *Iran*, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, South Sudan, Thailand, Türkiye, United Arab Emirates, and Vietnam

The General Assembly,

Recalling the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, particularly the provisions in Article 14,

Recognizing the fact that the stances or interpretations of the death penalty differ in nations,

Regretting the situation where there are some countries executing the death penalty with many problems remained,

Affirming that this agenda is difficult to decide either to retain or abolish uniformly,

Emphasizing that each state has a right to decide its policy on executing the death penalty,

Taking into account the risk and the irreversibility of the death penalty,

Noting the importance of reflecting public opinion for the decision.,

Take into considerations that most serious crimes are depends on each member states;

Recognizing the need to maintain social security,

1. *Calls upon* retentionist states to introduce the moratorium on the death penalty, with the ultimate decision of whether to abolish or reinstate the death penalty left to each state's sovereignty;
2. *Calls upon* all nations to re-examine the necessity and the effectiveness of the death penalty in their own nation;
3. *Calls upon* all nations to ensure that execution of the death penalty does not happen on pregnant woman, person with mental disabilities or intellectual disabilities,
4. *Calls upon* all nations to have opportunities for seeking pardon or commutation;
5. *Calls upon* all nations to ensure every suspect has a procedural guarantees to show their evidences;
6. *Calls upon* all states to only conduct the death penalty on the basic premise of guaranteeing the right to a fair trial for all;
7. *Calls upon* all states to respect cultural differences and historical and religious background;