**Committee: SOCHUM**

**Agenda Item: Taking action in response to the global emergency of counter culture, new-left and anti-war movement**

**Delegation: United States of America**

In recent years; specific groups of marginalized people and those complainant of what they deem injustice, especially in North America and western Europe, have started to protest for values representing some form of liberty whether that be against racial segregation, women’s dependency on men, or power balance among socio-economic classes; with their actions being exaggerated, often times resulting in conflict and disturbance of the peace. However, unlike the methods of classical liberalism, these individuals have extreme views on the current policies practiced by particularly economically and socially developed countries. While reforms are critical for the well-being of a community, the pursuit of counter culture, new-left and anti-war movement doesn’t appear to be constructive in its current state, and rather destructive as it aims to attack traditional norms and necessary political structures without much sovereignty from the operating governments in terms of creating sustainable constructs.

The United States of America, harboring the initial and development stages of these anti-establishment cultural phenomenon, has witnessed how extremist acts in the name of something honorable can emerge to be obstructive to the fundamental principles on which they originated from. Counter culture has encouraged the public to rebel against any and all cultural norms; resulting in sections having aggression towards traditional authority, experimenting with psychoactive drugs and alternative lifestyles that reduce quality of life, along with detrimental ideologies which will undoubtedly hinder the welfare of the global population. Correlated with the counter culture movements, the new-left has also caused disturbance in the internal affairs of the USA, and will proceed similarly in other States if not terminated or alternated to a better, classical liberalism. The new-left covers a wide range of social affairs and promotes unconventional ways of law and life, however is less focused on class struggles; this being a main flaw in the ideology as conflict between divisions should be prioritized when considering the security of citizens. Following the struggle for liberty USA has had in many influential wars including the American Revolutionary War, American Civil War, Second Boer War, World War I and World War II; the anti-war movement, although having the righteous objective of ending armed conflict, has been corrupted with increasingly violent protests therefore directly opposing with its pacifist ideals. The USA aspires to be a violence free nation and strictly forbids any sorts of unjustified brutality whether it be international or within our borders.

In the lead of the New Deal, followed by many programs, reforms and regulations such as the Brown v. Board of Education law case, extended regulations of Wall Street, the major program Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA); USA continued to endeavor towards honest liberty. With the Civil Rights bill US President Eisenhower pursued and the Civil Rights Act of 1957, USA aligned with some values related to equality and freedom in finances that counter culture, new-left and anti-war movement also assimilate; hence, making the US government and the people who adopt these movements not enemies but comrades working towards the same goal.

We as the United States of America are considering towards atypical beliefs which appear to be beneficial for society, and even welcome unprecedented attitudes in politics and economy; targeting a liberal system of governance by contemplating the opinions of citizens as they are the ones who form a nation, therefore practicing democratic regime. Thus, with the requirement of firm regulations, we propose allowing the controlled growth of counter culture, new-left and anti-war movement as they do mention the prime attribute of liberty which is independence from inferior power or excessive authority. Seeing gain from organized arrangements such as innovative teaching methods including cooperative education, open classrooms, and experiential learning; these alternative sub-cultures can be implemented to the traditional public in hopes that a middle ground is found where an ethical reform can materialize. Positive media is also highly encouraged as while liabilities of certain actions should be brought into light, they should not be weaponized. This media may include newspapers, television, radio, magazines and such.

The United States of America is open to collaboration with other member states in order to assess and respond to the recent global emergency of counter culture, new-left and anti-war movement; wanting to improve their policies through alliance. We wish peace and security to every country that may be affected by these pre-mentioned anti-establishment movements and hope for a morally correct and amiable resolution by the end of the upcoming conference.

**REFERANCES:**

<https://www.britannica.com/topic/1960s-counterculture>

<https://www.britannica.com/topic/New-Left>

<https://www.britannica.com/event/Khrushchevs-secret-speech>

<https://www.britannica.com/event/Vietnam-War>

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/presidents/theodore-roosevelt/>

<https://www.britannica.com/biography/Theodore-Roosevelt>

<https://www.britannica.com/place/United-States/Theodore-Roosevelt-and-the-Progressive-movement>

<https://www.nps.gov/articles/000/eisenhower-and-civil-rights.htm#:~:text=Eisenhower%20left%20the%20presidency%20with,progress%20or%20not%20at%20all>.

<https://www.britannica.com/event/Brown-v-Board-of-Education-of-Topeka>

<https://www.kent.edu/community/what-experiential-learning-and-why-it-important#:~:text=Experiential%20Learning%20is%20the%20process,classroom%20to%20real%2Dworld%20situations>.

<https://www.nonviolent-conflict.org/us-anti-vietnam-war-movement-1964-1973/#:~:text=However%2C%20increasingly%20violent%20protests%E2%80%94while,to%20marginalize%20the%20movement%20further>.