

Committee: ECOSOC

Topic: Combating Child Labour and Promoting Fair Opportunities for Young People

Country: Canada

Canada, the world's second-largest nation, is renowned for its rich cultural heritage. It is highly engaged in international affairs, especially those at the United Nations, and has a robust economy. Since the United Nations was established in 1945, Canada has been involved in its operations and was instrumental in the creation of the UN Charter, an international agreement that outlines fundamental principles of international relations. Canada is a wealthy cosmopolitan country with a diverse population that comes from all over the world. Canada is a federal parliamentary democracy and a constitutional monarchy, with King Charles III being the head of state.

Canada acknowledges every child deserves a childhood. All children have the right to learn, play, and grow and are deprived of these rights when they are working. However, simply removing children from the workplace is not enough. Any meaningful action against child labour must be part of broader efforts to rehabilitate children and guarantee their fulltime education. Canada is very determined in helping the UN achieve these goals.

Canada suggests that the UN should focus more on pushing countries into providing better education to their children. UN countries must agree on passing legislations that improve the material conditions of children so they don't have to work. Providing families with financial support is one of the most important ways of preventing child labor and also increasing opportunities for the youth. Young people must be provided with mentorship opportunities with people who can show them the way in life. The youth must be encouraged to join leadership programs, volunteer work and community engagement.

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