

Committee: ECOSOC

Topic: Combating Child Labour and Promoting Fair Opportunities for Youth

Country: The United Mexican States

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The United Mexican States is located in North America. The capital is Mexico City. The main religion is Roman Catholicism. It is a coastal country it has a maritime border with the Pacific Ocean to the west, and it has maritime borders with the Atlantic Ocean to the east, borders with America to the north and in the south, it has borders with Guatemala and Belize. The United Mexican States' location provides a unique position in terms of trade, placing it in a considerably influential position on matters in the United Nations correlated with the economic matters in the Americas.

Millions of children (roughly 150 million) are subjected to child labour worldwide with some having to work in hazardous environments through trafficking. The work that children do is working in farms, mines, in households and so much more. Some of them are forced to work in illegal or dangerous jobs, such as working in drug production and drug transportation. And in these jobs children get exposed to hazardous material that damages their health.

Child Labour in Mexico has decreased over the last few years. It is still a big problem. The UN estimates that there are 20 million children living in poverty in Mexico. Over the past few years Mexico has acknowledged that child labour needs to be stopped.

Government of Mexico supports international cooperation to eliminate child labour.

The United Mexican States proposes improving access to education: Making education more widespread so children in poverty can reach it. Also giving free school materials, Increasing social protection programs such as family support services that reduce the need for money in families so children don't turn to child labour. International cooperation through ECOSOC encourages countries to fund programs and support developing nations to combat child labour.

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