

Committee: SPECPOL

Agenda Item: Reconstruction and Development in Post Conflict Regions

Country: New Zealand

New Zealand is located in Australia. It has a population of 5,338 million people. It is located in the South Pacific Ocean. It has a total area of 268,021 square kilometres. The capital is Wellington and Auckland, Christchurch, Hamilton are some of the important cities.

The delegation of New Zealand recognizes that conflicts come with devastating consequences. These conflicts cause the loss of human life and the number of widows and orphans to increase. If not, it causes physical injuries or severe psychological trauma. We acknowledge the economic impact of these conflicts as well. They lead to destruction of infrastructure. The destruction of roads strike a blow to civilian, industrial, and military logistical efforts and block transportation. New Zealand is aware of the political and social impact of these conflicts too. It results in weakening relationships with neighbouring states. It will result in people of the country trying to flee to neighbouring countries and the trust to the government decreasing. These wars lead to governments losing control over their lands and institutes. Law becomes unimportant and influential groups, warlords or local authorities attempt to fill the vacuum with power. New Zealand has taken part in some of the peacekeeping operations in these post-conflict regions. Over two periods, from 1999 to 2002, and 2006-2012, approximately 7000 New Zealanders were deployed to Timor-Leste which was getting attacked by pro-Indonesia militia groups.

New Zealand is aware of the importance of giving psychological help to people who are in post-conflict regions. A fund needs to be established in order to help the countries and people in need. Countries should use these funds in order to help people in need and invest in infrastructure. Campaigns should be formed in order to raise awareness about corruption in these regions. Schools should be rebuilt to be structurally safe and out of military presence. Codes of conduct should be established against discrimination, violence and bullying.

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