## KENTUCKY UNITED NATIONS ASSEMBLY OFFICIAL PROPOSAL

Proposal #: 50

Assignment:



Country: Nicaragua

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Title: An act to a midwife training institution with UNICEF funding in Managua, Nicaragua.

BE IT HEREBY ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED NATIONS

Justification Clause: In Nicaragua, as of 2011, there are only seven (7) midwives for every 1,000 children born. A midwife is trained to assist women during childbirth. Without a midwife involved in the birthing process, many health risks arise for both the mother and the child, the most pressing being much higher mortality rates for both the parent and the baby. Also, without a midwife or other physician, many health issues can occur with the baby that need immediate attention. Clearly, Nicaragua needs a larger pool of midwives to accommodate the many unassisted births performed each year and to reduce the risks involved with unassisted childbirth.

Section One: The government of Nicaragua would instigate a Midwife Training Program to assist with the need for more certified midwives in the country.

Section Two: Women could apply to attend the Midwife Training Program. This will teach them all the necessary skills in a cumulative six (6) week training session.

Section Three: The Midwife Training Program will be funded by the state and will be located in Nicaragua's capital, Managua. The program will be relatively low-cost and will only accept a certain amount of attendees. Trained midwives will conduct the sessions, but only ten (10) midwives will be needed to instruct. There will be enough to keep a twenty midwife to 1,000 birth ratio (20:1000).

Section Four: Attendees of the program will have to attend the six week program, pass an exit exam, and assist with at least eight (8) separate instances of childbirth to be granted their certificate of training.