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Proposal # 33

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An act to Regulate the International Trade of Military Grade Guns and Ammunition.

Be it hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the United Nations

Justification Clause: In the world today 1,500 people are killed every day by conflict and armed violence. That is equivalent to filling the Madison Square Garden arena to capacity and bombing the whole stadium then repeating the process 25 times. This is an atrocity that must be stopped. With the current state of gun trade it is possible, through legal loopholes, for corporations to sell military grade weapons to tyrants and dictators. There are more international laws regulating the trade of bananas than the trade of weapons. This is a proposal to regulate the gun trade between countries to lessen the lives lost through the abuse of weapons. Franklin D. Roosevelt stated that everyone is entitled to 4 fundamental human rights; Freedom of Speech, Freedom of Worship, Freedom from want, and Freedom of Fear. These human rights where the basis of the Atlantic Charter which was the cornerstone of the formation of the United Nations. The United Nations must adhere to the foundation of its very existence. The Freedom from Fear is a right that has been stripped from all who have been affected by the gun violence. 26 million people have been force to leave their homes because of armed violence. That is the same as filling the Indianapolis Motor Speedway 104 times and telling all those people to leave their homes and their lives without warning or just cause. These people are humans who have been stripped of their rights. The United Nation must act and regulating gun trade is the first step in the right direction.

Sections 1: Every country in the United Nations must submit a plan to regulate the trade of military grade weapons. Military grade weapons are defined as armored combat vehicles, large-caliber artillery systems, combat aircraft, attack helicopters, warships, missiles and missile launchers, and light weapons (Pistols, rifles, carbines, assault rifles, sub-machine guns, light machine guns, heavy machine guns, handheld grenade launchers, portable anti-aircraft and anti-tank guns, recoilless rifles, portable launchers of anti-aircraft and anti-tank missiles systems, and mortars).

Section 2: Each country must maintain national records of all International arms trade.

Section 3: In 2 years' time if any country has not submitted a plan to regulate the trade of military grade weapons the United Nations will revisit the issue and decide whether sanctions are necessary for the incompliant nation.

Section 4: A committee, paid for by the United Nations, consistent of 20 different country representatives (of various incomes (GDP)) who will represent their countries as experts of gun laws and psychology. This committee will be in charge of accepting of denying plans submitted for gun regulations. Preliminary plans must be submitted by 2016 and all accepted plans must be submitted by the year 2020.

Section 5: The all the accepted plans will be put into effect but 2021.

Section 6: This proposal will go into effect immediately after passage.