

 <p>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY UNITED NATIONS ASSEMBLY United Nations Proposal</p>	Proposal # 37
	Proposed by Poland
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1 An act to establish a committee to oversee the return of spoils of war.

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

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5 Justification Clause: Art is a valuable part of a country's culture, heritage, and history. Unfortunately, many
6 countries have had priceless works of art stolen while occupied by a foreign country during wartime. These
7 priceless works are carted off to the dominating country, and are often never seen again. Even if they are
8 found, the process of returning the stolen items is long and arduous, and can take years. Our proposal aims
9 to expedite that process by establishing a committee to oversee the process of locating and returning spoils
10 of war.

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12 Section I: The United Nations, on behalf of all countries who have suffered the loss of a national treasure at
13 the hands of a warring country in the past, would establish a committee to oversee the quick and just return
14 of spoils of war to their rightful country.

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16 Section II: 'Spoils of war' shall be defined as any tangible, non-monetary and non-military object of significant
17 monetary or cultural value taken from its owner during war time, with a specific focus on artwork such as
18 paintings and statues. This committee would only have jurisdiction over items stolen from the year 1900
19 onward.

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21 Section III: The committee will be responsible for rulings regarding:

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23 I. Whether or not a country's item return claim is legitimate.
24 II. Whether or not evidence presented by a country's representatives is able to prove without
25 reasonable doubt that an item was stolen from them during war time (after the specified cut off year
26 of 1900).
27 III. Whether or not a country shall be reimbursed in the value of an item if there is undoubtable proof
28 that the original item has been misplaced, damaged, or destroyed.

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30 Section IV: The council will consist of 15 members. Each country with a seat on the Security Council will
31 receive a seat on the committee. Committee members will be responsible for determining all rules listed in
32 the previous section.