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Name of Committee: African Union

Topic: HIV/AIDS

Sponsors: Djibouti, Namibia, Niger, Sierra Leone, Tanzania

Signatories: Gabon, Comoros, Somalia, Western Sahara, Cabo Verde, Rwanda, Algeria, Libya, Swaziland, Egypt, Lesotho

*Alarmed* by the growing numbers of victims of HIV/AIDS in African nations,

*Bearing in mind* that each country has their own cultural and religious ideologies,

*Observing* the success of UNAIDS as they have placed over 15 million people on life-saving HIV treatment,

*Deeply concerned* that HIV/AIDS has affected around 25.8 million people in Sub-Saharan Africa,

The African Union,

1. Calls upon the establishment of the 'HER Plan' (Helping, Eradicating, and Recovering) which will consist of three components, including:
  - a. Helping African victims of HIV/AIDS through medical aid provided through Doctors Without Borders,
  - b. Eradicating HIV/AIDS with the creation of treatment centers located in both rural and urban areas,
  - c. Recovering HIV/AIDS victims and providing low-cost antiretroviral therapy through UNAIDS and UNICEF;
2. Encourages the nations of Africa to create and implement their own Bill of Rights to protect both women and men, that includes, but is not limited to:
  - a. The right to seek testing,
  - b. The right to seek treatment,
  - c. The right to use condoms and practice safe sex,
3. Supports the creation of medical treatment centers for the purpose of:
  - a. Housing for stigmatized and orphaned HIV/AIDS victims, funded by UNITAID, which works to:
    - i. Prevent HIV/AIDS
    - ii. Provide sustainable financing for markets such as medicine
  - b. Creating jobs for discriminated HIV positive individuals with an emphasis on women,
  - c. Providing basic medical training provided by Doctors Without Borders;
4. Endorses methods of education into rural regions of countries, including but not limited to:

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- a. High-Risk HIV/AIDS regions,
  - b. Awareness campaigns, which will be funded by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation,
  - c. Encouragement by elder leaders of villages for treatment of these diseases which will account for cultural beliefs;
5. Affirms various forms of women empowerment, such as but not limited to:
- a. The aforementioned help centers which will hold discussions to dispel HIV/AIDS related stigma,
  - b. Provide aforementioned antiretroviral treatment.