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Ending violence against women and girls

UN WOMEN:
Ending Violence Against Women and Girls: How can we create a safer world?

Information about the committee:

UN Women is the United Nations "entity dedicated to gender equality and the empowerment of women. A global champion for women and girls, UN Women was established to accelerate progress on meeting their needs worldwide" (*About UN Women*, n.d.). UN Women supports UN Member States as they set global standards for achieving gender equality, and works with governments and civil society [Groups of people that work to help others and support fairness (Open AI, 2025)] to design laws, policies, programmes and services needed to ensure that the standards are effectively implemented and truly benefit women and girls worldwide

Key concepts:

Gender-based violence: Harmful actions directed at someone because of their gender, especially targeting women and girls.

Empowerment: Giving people the tools, rights, and opportunities they need to make their own choices and feel safe and respected.

Equality: Treating everyone fairly and ensuring equal opportunities and rights for all, regardless of gender.

Context of the problem:

Violence against women and girls is a global issue, women and girls in every country in the world suffer from this. Violence is not only related to physical abuse, but it also includes many forms—emotional harm, sexual violence, child marriage, trafficking, and more. It can happen at home, at school, at work, in the streets, or even online. Millions of women and girls face this problem every day (Open AI, 2025). "Globally, almost one in three women have experienced physical and/or sexual violence at least once in their life. This violence is often perpetrated by current or former intimate partners" (*Global Database on Violence Against Women | UN Women Data Hub*, n.d.).

Even though, ending violence against women and girls is a global priority, current actions to prevent it are not sufficient. For example, in 2023, less than 1 in 5 dollars needed to stop and respond to violence against women and girls was actually given. In comparison, almost 2 out of every 5 dollars needed for all other help were provided. This shows that efforts to stop violence against women and girls are not getting enough money (Irc, 2024, modified with Chat GPT assistance). Another possible reason why current efforts are not working is because not enough women are in leadership or decision-making roles. "This entails removing barriers that prevent women and girls from leading and participating in decision-making processes, from the local to international level" (Irc, 2024).

Blocks

Countries in this committee will probably be divided in the following blocks:

- **Progressive action block**: Countries that support strong laws, funding, and education programs to protect women and girls and promote gender equality.
- **Traditional views block**: Countries that believe in protecting women's rights but may prioritize cultural traditions or slower change.
- **Neutral or developing action block**: Countries that recognize the issue but need support or resources to take strong action (Open AI, 2025).

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Regardless of your country's religious background or political beliefs, what could be done to prevent violence against women and girls?

What types of violence do women and girls face in your country? What is your country doing to protect women and girls?

Are there laws or support services in place? Are they working? What could your country do better?

How can countries work together to solve this global issue? What role can schools, social media, and local communities play?

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Final Note

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