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Resolution No: 1

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Title of Resolution: A Resolution to Settle Israeli Conflicts

## RESOLUTION OF THE UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL

- 1 Expressing the sense of the United Nations Security Council regarding the settlement  
2 conflicts in Israel and Palestine  
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5 Whereas the Israeli settlements in occupied lands were unauthorized by the United  
6 Nations;  
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8 Whereas Israel has participated in fifteen armed conflicts and wars with foreign nations;  
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10 Whereas peace talks have been unable to continue because of the disagreement over the  
11 settlement areas;  
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13 Whereas the settlements are illegal under the 1949 Fourth Geneva Convention in which  
14 forbids moving citizens into occupied territories;  
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16 Whereas as of February 6, 2017, Israel has passed a law legalizing the settlements on  
17 Palestinian land;  
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19 **Resolved** by the United Nations Security Council,  
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21 1. Condemning Israel for passing the settlement law on February 6, 2017,  
22 2. Urging Israel to repeal the law immediately,  
23 3. Desiring East Jerusalem to be a neutral territory free for all nations and people,  
24 4. Hoping an agreement can be made exchanging land closest to Israel for land  
25 further away in the West Bank,  
26 5. Expecting Israel and Palestine to continue peace talks.  
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## BRIEF FOR A RESOLUTION TO SETTLE ISRAELI CONFLICTS

The main objective for every conflict the United Nations oversee is peace. In the Middle East peace talks have halted and blamed on the settlements created by Israel. There are constant tensions and the United Nations must ensure war is avoidable.

Ever since the creation of Israel, the nation has been swarmed by conflict. Israel has continued thriving through each conflict, but the Middle East is still aggressive. In the 1967 Middle East war, Israel was defending their nation from attack, but ended the war with seizing land beyond their borders and building Israeli settlements. The settlements have been claimed by Middle Eastern countries to be a barrier in the way of peace. The United States and Israel see the settlements as a buffer zone ensuring the survival of the comparably small Israeli territories.

### Some Starting Research Websites

<http://www.bbc.com/news/world-middle-east-38458884>

<https://www.nytimes.com/2017/02/06/world/middleeast/israel-settlement-law-palestinians-west-bank.html>

<http://www.sixdaywar.org/content/settlements.asp>

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**Title of Resolution: A Resolution to Protect The Ukraine**

RESOLUTION OF THE PEOPLE OF THE CIVICS & GOVERNMENT INSTITUTE

1 Expressing the sense of the people of the Middle School Model United Nations regarding  
2 the role of Russia in The Ukraine.

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5 Whereas it is the duty of the United Nations to protect smaller nations against larger, more  
6 powerful ones;

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8 Whereas The Ukraine cannot properly defend itself against the Russian Federation;

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10 Whereas the United Nations should send a message to the rest of the world annexing other  
11 nations is not acceptable;

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13 Whereas the instability of one region is the concern of the rest of the world;

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16 **Resolved** by the People of the Civics & Government Institute,

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18 1. Condemns the Russian Federation for its role in the invasion of Ukraine.

19 2. Urges member nations to put sanctions on the Russian Federation until it has  
20 removed its forces from Ukraine.

21 3. A United Nations peacekeeping force of no fewer than 5,000 soldiers will be sent  
22 to Ukraine to stabilize the region.

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In late 2013, violent protest broke out in The Ukraine over a deal to bring the Ukrainian economy closer to that of Russia. In March of the following year, Vladimir Putin, the President of Russia, put Russian troops in the area to secure Russian interests. Fighting has flared among groups in the area for years, including Russian soldiers and pro-Russia rebel groups. In March of 2016, Putin claimed he was removing Russian troops from the area, but satellite images suggest he may not have been telling the entire truth. Fighting in the area continues to this day.

Those on the side of Ukraine claim that Russia has invaded their territory and they cannot defend themselves. Russia has already annexed the area of Crimea. The United Nations has a history of helping smaller nations under attack, including Kuwait during the Gulf War. The Russians claim they are merely protecting their own interests in the area. They also defend their annexation of Crimea, saying the territory has always been culturally Russian, and they were merely making it part of the country it always should have belonged to.



<http://www.economist.com/blogs/easternapproaches/2014/03/russia-and-ukraine>

## Helpful Links

- <http://ukraine.csis.org/>
- <https://www.foreignaffairs.com/articles/ukraine/2016-04-18/why-putin-took-crimea>
- <http://www.rferl.org/a/ukraine-un-ambassador-haley-condemns-russia/28275953.html>
- <http://www.businessinsider.com/how-russia-took-crimea-2015-3>