**FORUM:** General Assembly
**QUESTION OF:** Measures to Strengthen Border Security in the North African States to Manage the Illicit Movement of Migrants, Weapons, and Drugs
**MAIN SUBMITTER:** Nigeria
**CO-SUBMITTED BY:** Australia, Belgium, Democratic People’s Republic of Korea, Iran, Lebanon, Russia Federation, Afghanistan, Pakistan

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

*Noticing* that a number of lethal factors have detrimental impacts on many innocent citizens and communities,

*Deeply Concerned* about the increasing number of these illegal activities that are becoming more frequent and prevalent in the Northern African nations, which will eventually cause them to face enormous difficulties to maintain the sovereignty of their own countries,

*Fully aware* that a nation’s border must be protected to sustain the country’s sovereignty and governance,

*Bearing in mind* to those organizations who manages the border security including World Customs Organization Organisation Mondiale Des (WCOOMD), Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE), U.S Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and International Organization for Migration (IOM),

*Noting* that crime and illegal activities in the country would gradually increase, such as human trafficking, as a number of smugglers pursue profit and support the terrorists,

*Recognizing* that many Northern nations, such as Libya, Algeria, Tunisia, and Egypt are struggling with managing the issues due to a considerable number of smugglers,

*Strongly acknowledging* that this resolution demonstrates the solution of ensuring an increase in efficiency in securing border which is strongly needed to manage the illegal movements of migrants, weapons, and drugs,

*Noting further* the high mortality rate of people crossing borders through illegal means,

*Keeping in mind* that high risks and low profit discourage smuggling,

*Acknowledging* the existence of the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime (Smuggling of Migrants Protocol),

*Emphasizing* that many smugglers are involved in crime in foreign countries,

*Aware of* the fact that between 2014 and 2017, more than 600,000 people illegally migrated to another area through the Northern African border - these numbers are constantly increasing,

*Noting with deep concern* that 53.6% of North African migrants are trafficked illegally,

*Taking into consideration* that due to the illegal nature of smuggling, migrants cannot be protected by public laws, meaning that they face situations that violate human rights such as sexual abuse and unwanted complicity in a crime,

1. Encourages the member states to cooperate to strengthen the security of border by modernizing the fundamental functions of the border security system gradually in such ways but not limited to:
	1. Strengthening the borders’ security by introducing the new technologies such as:
		1. Fingerprint scanner,
		2. Facial recognition system,
		3. Surveillance camera like CCTV,
		4. Baggage check system,
	2. Improving the border personality increase their efficiency and ability of defending the border in ways such as but not limited to:
		1. Increasing the number of agents in each shift,
		2. Improving the amount of training each person get,
		3. Assigning special agents with trained sniffer dogs to improve the rate of detection of narcotics,
	3. Requesting that member states cooperate for funds and judicial support for the implementation of useful and efficient technology with World Organization such as but not limited to:
		1. European Union (EU),
		2. Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE),
		3. Water Environment Federation (WEF),
		4. World Customs Organization (WCO),
		5. International Organization for Migration (IOM),
		6. Nongovernment Organizations (NGOs);
2. Recommends all member states as well as specifically the North African states to reinforces the punishment and establishment of law in a way that halts many brokers trafficking migrants, and illegal items, such as narcotics, weapons, which increase the risk of the smuggling businesses and decreases the profit operation of smuggling such as but not limited to:
	1. Requests all member states to enhance the punishment and establishment of law with World Organizations, such as the EU (European Union) for the support of banning the usage of obsolete boats, which cannot be tracked by the government,
	2. Initiating using trackers on the obsolete boats and registering all the boats, which will not allow the smugglers to flourish their smuggling businesses as they previously obsolete boats for avoiding surveillance from the border security,
	3. Strengthen the punishment for smugglers, illegal migrants, through such but not limited to:
		1. Imposing or escalating financial penalties,
		2. Lengthening jail terms,
		3. Confiscating all smuggled items,
		4. Sending illegal migrants back to their country,
	4. Registering all the vehicles that cross the borders such as:
		1. Boat,
		2. Bus,
		3. Car,
		4. Train,
		5. Airplane;
3. Encourages member states near North Africa and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) to form an international association that investigates cases of illegal activities across the North African border by means such as but not limited to:
	1. Collaborating with the INTERPOL or international police organization to aid weak regional governments,
	2. Holding biannual meetings among North African states and willing MEDCs (More economically developed countries) to discuss:
		1. Effectiveness of past measures,
		2. Future actions,
		3. Sharing technologies for detecting smugglers,
		4. Addressing potential political issues;
	3. Sharing information with all member states on all know smuggling routes and known organizations as well as possible tactics to combat them;
4. Suggests preventing migrants from leaving the North African countries by improving conditions in ways including but not limited to:
	1. Improving existing educational systems through means including but not limited to:
		1. Increased funding,
		2. More and more accessible institutions for primary, secondary, and tertiary education,
		3. Subsidize vocational training for teachers;
	2. Improving public safety, through means including but not limited to:
		1. Increased funding for the police force,
		2. Improved government stability;
	3. Improving government stability and reducing corruption through means including but not limited to:
		1. Conducting in-depth investigations of the civil servants, especially in the immigration and trade departments,
		2. Stronger documentation of finances and money flow;
	4. Encourage Northern African member states to adopt policies for the purposes of increasing employment opportunities to make migrating illegally less appealing, examples of which include:
		1. Increased government spending for private-sector goods,
		2. Government employment initiatives,
		3. Promotion and advertisement of said employment opportunities to the public;
5. Supports the establishment of the North African Economic Development Fund (NAEDF), subject to further review of the member states and organizations involved, to perform the following functions:
	1. Allocate funds to countries equitably,
	2. Obtaining money from the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and World Bank and MEDCs countries
	3. Having a quarterly conference with the member states and organizations involved to report on the progress;
6. Strongly Recommends the North African states share the problems associated with smuggled items such as narcotics and weapons to reduce the demand of them in ways such as but are not limited to:
	1. Raising public awareness of the danger of smuggling, through means including:
		1. Social media platforms such as Instagram, Facebook, twitter, etc.,
		2. Public advertisements such as billboards, commercials, newspaper, pamphlets, etc.;
	2. Implementing laws that require the annual registration of the following:
		1. Weapons,
		2. Citizens,
	3. Implementing punishments for all citizens who do not complete the annual registration including:
		1. Escalating fines,
		2. Possible jail time,
	4. Implement punishments for any who possess unlicensed or unregistered weapons and other elicit items including:
		1. Fines,
		2. Jailtime.