

### **Working Paper 1.3**

Committee: Security Council

Topic: The situation in the Democratic Republic of Congo

Signatories: Nigeria, Turkey

Alarmed by the accusations of human rights abuses by MONUC,

Encouraged by recent developments within the Democratic Republic of Congo and the development of improved diplomatic relations between the Democratic Republic of Congo and neighboring states,

Reaffirming the sovereignty of the Democratic Republic of Congo and its territorial integrity,

Recalling UN Security Council Resolution 1906 (2009) which extended MONUC's mandate until May 2010,

Requests MONUC's mandate be reformed to focus on:

- a. Securing the institutions of and UN agencies in the Democratic Republic of Congo to ensure they can function effectively,
- b. Securing and monitoring areas where natural resources can be or are extracted,
- c. Ensuring the security of citizens of the Democratic Republic of Congo from human rights abuses and violence, by proactively, and in-coordination with the Democratic Republic of Congo, upholding the rule of law,
- d. Training and reinforcing civilian police forces to ensure the rule of law is upheld,
- e. Conduct disarmament activities with respect to militia groups;

Demands that MONUC remain neutral in all operations and that peacekeepers ensure that they respect the sovereignty and rights of member states under international law;

Further requests MONUC's mandate be extended for a period of 24 months from the current date of expiration as specified in UN Security Council Resolution 1906 (2009), with periodic reviews every six months;

Urges the creation of the Special Rapporteur for the Democratic Republic of Congo to co-ordinate efforts between UN agencies, MONUC, NGOs and other relevant bodies to:

- a. Support initiatives to resolve the problem of internally displaced persons and refugees, with input from the UN High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR),
- b. Ensure that a programme of development is conducted in the Democratic Republic of Congo, with input from the UN Development Programme (UNDP) and UN Population Fund (UNFPA),
- c. Support methods to reintegrate and educate child soldiers back into society, in co-ordination with UNICEF,
- d. Ensure the development of healthcare, education and civil institutions through the relevant UN bodies, NGOs and ~~Democratic Republic of Congo~~,

- e. Support other initiatives, with the relevant UN bodies, currently conducted by MONUC;

Calls upon member states to support UN agencies in providing services and aid, where possible;

Strongly encourages matters of international dispute are referred to the International Court of Justice (ICJ) or settled through talks sponsored by the African Union and United Nations;

Recommends the ICC investigate human rights abuses by all parties, including MONUC;

Supports a joint AU-UN initiative to invite an active dialogue between Rwanda, Uganda, Burundi and ethnic groups with respect to:

- a. Involving all ethnic groups in the governments of individual sovereign states, with possible agreements including (but not limited to) power-sharing,
- b. Working with the Special Rapporteur for the Democratic Republic of Congo, MONUC and the UNHCR to resolve the issue of refugees and internally displaced persons,
- c. The withdrawal of troops from the affected regions;

Requests the FLDR and LRA disarm as per UN Security Council Resolution 1906 (2009) and that the relevant parties, African Union and others work to incentivise militant groups to disarm, stop violent activities and participate in peaceful political processes;