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Voted Resolution of the South Caucasus Youth Parliament

Azerbaijani Delegates

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ON THE INITIATIVE OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, THE SOUTH CAUCASUS YOUTH PARLIAMENT ADOPTED THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:

We, the members of South Caucasus Youth Parliament understand that our education is not ready to match the level of fast-paced development and globalized world standards.

Whereas the quality of education, lack of opportunities to practice-based learning of the sciences and girls drop out of education turned into the hindering points of our society's development. Elimination of these problems would help to develop our education.

The parliament members acknowledge these challenges are damaging the long-term development of our education.

The parliament members suggest the following steps to tackle the existing challenges

Whereas there is the need of increasing the quality of education,

We call upon our government to reduce to reduce the need of school pupils to use private tutors; to make more efficient use of school hours; to Provide more effective use of educational investments made by parents; to increase the wages of teachers to stimulate higher quality of education.

Whereas Utilization of school labs make the teaching process of sciences more practice-based:



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We call on our government to foster learning sciences from practicing; to increase the motivation to study sciences; support using labs and equip them with up-to-date equipment.

Whereas girls are deprived the right to study at schools:

We call upon our government and international community to apply serious punishment against people who deprive girls from educational right; to bring to liability the people forcing girls to early marriages; to motivate girls to continue education; to provide attractive opportunities for girls from orphanages to continue education.

We, the member of the Parliament, strongly believe that there will be firm steps made by the Government of Azerbaijan and the European Parliament to prevent further deepening of the existing problems. The development of the education has a direct impact on the advancement of democratic process, namely on the closer integration to Europe in the area of human rights.

ON THE INITIATIVE OF THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH, THE SOUTH CAUCASUS YOUTH PARLIAMENT ADOPTED THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:

We, the youth of Azerbaijan, came together here in Baku from different regions of Azerbaijan with the purpose to discuss the major social-economic problems and to solve them. Being young people we feel closer to these problems. And for this purpose we mobilize our power and decided to call upon the government representatives at national and international levels.

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Whereas there is a problem of organization of free time, inequality among youth (lack of attention on orphans); impact of financial problems on youth; lack of job opportunities for young professionals;



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We call upon our government to:

- Increase the number of different organizations for extending scope of activities of the youth;
- Establish camps for young people. (Ministry of Youth and Sports). Raise this question before the related institutions and achieve a solution;
- Apply development programs implemented at schools to orphanages and increase the level of education in orphanages.
- Apply economic concession to young people (As in Turkey, Georgia, etc.)
- Provide jobs for students during their studies and after completion of the studies. (As it is in most European countries). For this reason to open new job places and involve the youth in it

ON THE INITIATIVE OF THE COMMITTEE ON NON-OIL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, THE SOUTH CAUCASUS YOUTH PARLIAMENT ADOPTED THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:

We, Non-oil Economic Development Committee of SCYP, at our meeting on 16 August 2012 in Baku realize that, oil is a leading sector in Azerbaijan's economy and our economy is dependent on it.

Due to the fact that oil sector is a traditional area of the economy historically most of proficient labor force is involved in this sector. However, because oil is an exhaustible resource we need to develop non-oil sector, so our economy is not dependent on oil.



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Whereas we acknowledge that there is lack of professional human resources; processing industry is poorly developed; tourism is not developed at a sufficient level; food and light industry is not sufficient for domestic consumption;

We call upon our government and European Union to take following steps to resolve the above mentioned problems:

- to increase student and faculty exchange programs between Europe and Azerbaijan, to simplify the rules, enhance cooperation between universities and to cooperate with European specialists
- to learn experience of foreign countries
- To use oil revenues to develop poorly developed sectors;
- to represent Azerbaijani touristic places in the world, to improve access to those areas, to improve quality of service and to make prices more reasonable in order to attract more tourists. For rapid development of this sector visa terms should be simplified
- to open new job possibilities in the country and develop infrastructure

ON THE INITIATIVE OF THE COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT, THE SOUTH CAUCASUS YOUTH PARLIAMENT ADOPTED THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:

We, the members of a committee on "Environment", gathered on a meeting in Baku on August 16, 2012, acknowledge that we live in a continuously developing world facing increasingly serious environmental problems which cannot leave us unconcerned. Creation of a healthy society rests with us, while healthy environment rests with society as whole.

1. Whereas we acknowledge that:

- improper use of industrial waste leads to not only destruction of the forests but even to the deletion of a human health;



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- felling of forests for the energy purposes and extinction of Red Booked trees that survived through the centuries;
- sharp decrease of a drinking water and extinction of a mankind;
- there is pollution of Caspian Sea
- there is salinization of soil
- there is genetically Modified Food
- there is adverse effect of automobiles upon atmosphere
- there is Gabala radar station

2. We call upon our national government and European Union to resolve these issues by:

- recycling industrial waste and allocating of special waste containers;
- switching to waste-free production and extracting oil in waste-free and clean manner by extensive use of the advanced technology.
- using the natural gas and alternative energy sources that can replace natural gas in the regions of a country where trees are chopped.
- ensuring that drinking water areas are strictly protected and safeguarded against anthropogenic impacts. Having large water reservoirs constructed.
- We are asking the Council of Europe to call upon the Caspian Sea littoral states to use river filtering techniques for the rivers flowing into Caspian Sea;
- using lands and irrigation techniques properly and intensifying the melioration measures.
- disallowing GMOs crossing national borders;



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- electrifying transport system, using high quality petrol and construct designates cycle-ways;
- educating the population around radar station and providing high level medical assistance to those inhabitants.