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The United States or America (USA) and the United Nations (UN)

New Leaders – Pressing Challenges

@ UN Headquarter – New York

On the day Friday, February 17th, 2017, thousands United Nations Association members – USA (UNA-USA) attended Member’s Day Conference, held at the General Assembly Hall at UN Headquarter New York. The conference was in the focus of the discussion on how to support the United Nations (UN) in dealing with the pressing challenges triggered by the new leaders of the United States of America.

Within a few weeks of this new administration, it has already imposed many threats to the UN all the way to the core. Two bills were introduced in Congress to withdraw financial support from the UN. President Donald Trump provoked a travel ban to 7 countries and threatened to impose tougher laws directed towards the acceptance of refugees. The new administration proposed an immigration reform that may create a wave of negative effects on immigrants.

The biggest challenge to the UN is the refugee crisis, which is the largest refugee number since WWII. There are 63 million displaced people around the world. More than half of these refugees are children. More than one third of these refugees are women. The fact of the matter is that nobody wants to be THE REFUGEE. Nobody in the world wants to leave their home to become a refugee. Refugees are people who have no choice but to leave everything behind them and to migrate to another country where they cannot speak the language, where they are not familiar with the new culture, where they do not understand the laws, and where they are not easily accepted into the new society...The list goes on...

Mr. Chris, Executive Director of UNA-USA--“We believe in universal principals, we stand for human rights, we stand for anything that protect human dignities and protect peace. We stand for those who stand against hate and fear.”

Mr. Peter Yeo, president of Better World Campaign – “We are fighting back against DEFUNDING UN.”

Many important key notes materialized in this meeting. The discussion also focused on American value. It is an American value to stand for and to lead the world to a higher standard of democracy, freedom, and justice... and to protect human rights that not only all Americans deserve but also all people on Earth are entitled to. It is a responsibility that America has to take and lead the world. If America does not fix the world problems abroad, the problems will spread and someday knock on our doors; it will reach our backyard, and it will touch our future generation.

As the world is getting smaller, the global landscape has changed. ISIS is all over the map. To combat ISIS, we have to be much more united than ever before. We have to protect global interests. We have to protect American interests. America, she believes in the universal principles; she believes in human dignities. Those are the values she carries...



The discussion also focuses on the role of the UN. Each country needs to be in a global role in the global landscape that needs a global response in a collaborative way and in a timely manner. The United Nations have to deal with conflicts that have stemmed from religion, politics, war, poverty, etc.

The question is, is the UN fit for the purpose? Yes...Is the UN today a perfect institution? No...Can the new leaders of the UN cope with the new challenges? Yes....

The UN remains a central organization that takes care of the world problems, but it is not a perfect institution.

However, new UN leaders are responding quickly to the vast changes around the world. New leaders are deeply committed to reform the way the UN is doing business. The world today needs a stronger UN, not a weaker UN. The world community needs to be brought together by the UN.

Another focus point is gender inequality. Statistics suggest that 85% of 10-year old girls die in underdeveloped countries, while many girls married before the age of 15 and many have children under the age of 18.

UN advocates for a 15-year window for all of us to change that figure, to bring that number down. The UN sets a goal to end child marriage at the end of 2030.

The world needs more female role models for girls and for women. Role models will provide leadership mindsets for women; the possibilities of inspiration for girls can be the first to become someone important. It inspires girls not to be afraid to move up the ladder in all aspects of life.



The reality is, we are nowhere near where it needs to be, and nowhere near where we want it to be!

But what are they keys to success?

The key to success is raising awareness!

The key to accomplishment is education!

The key to hope is the evidence that give us hope!

We need to have a wakeup call. Politicians, nowadays, are not the leaders. They are the followers, they follow the crowd. Whatever the crowd wants, they will fulfill that demand; they follow grassroots campaigns. They follow the crowd to wherever the crowd wants the country to be...so YOU need to raise your voices, to raise awareness, and to bring attention to the right leaders. The crowd leads, the politicians will follow...

Many questions were asked. The focus is what are the greatest obstacles for UN?

Extreme poverty matters. Extreme poverty will lead children into early marriage.

Education and raising awareness matter.

Countries are governed in extreme crisis, extreme societies where citizens face collective fear and violence.



Hundreds of hands rose up, the topic of refugees, once again, became the focus point. Today, the world has more than 63 million displaced humans, and more than half of them are children. Americans need to know that refugees have to leave home and face different societies, different challenges. Many sad stories of experiences about human trafficking and abusiveness have

emerged. Many have to pay the ultimate price of risking their lives or their family's lives on the journey, and when they reach the refugee camp, they fear of the unknown future.

Americans need to be reminded that immigrants brought all kinds of skill sets to this country. It brings scientists, philosophers, artists, engineers, etc. they have been adding factors that make America great.

This year, the number of youth under 25 years who attended tripled last year's! This year the message to the Youth is to become stronger, louder, and more powerful! It is time for a wake-up call. It is time that we all stand for refugees. The America that we know is the America of high standards of morality and responsibility in the leading role of building a stabilized World and Humanity. But now, it is not only a crisis of refugees, but it is a crisis of compassion, a crisis of collaboration, a crisis of humanity. America will become voiceless on the world stage if we lose our identity, the identity of the greatest country in the world, a country that represent a leadership symbol of freedom, humanity, compassion, and immigration.



Dear the Youth of Today! We have lost the battle of narrative! We need you to give your voices!

Let's put down the crisis of narrative by the voices of the intolerant, by the voices of fear, and by the voices of hatred.

Let's stand with refugees!

Let our voices advocate for those who cannot speak. Let's put all hands on deck.

Let's not wait for others to do things for you. You need to stand up on your own!

Let's win the narrative! Let's not let fear define you! Let's win the debate!

We live in an era of Facebook, Twitter, and Snapchat. We live in an inter-connected world, but we are also so disconnected. Let's united and raise our voices together, louder, and stronger.

Let's follow the feminist movement! America has the greatest protests from women ever.

We not need to be optimistic. We not need to be permissive. We need to be determined!...

We need to campaign for a stronger US-UN partnership!

As the afternoon was signified with passions and questions, the Youth also has a message for the elders:

Give us a seat on the table!

The elders, you need to resonate with us, the younger generation. You must give the Youth the opportunity! Do not be afraid to give the youth the chance! Do not be afraid if the Youth makes mistakes! Give the Youth a chance to fail and advance. Give us a chance to do it...

Hundreds of youth raised their hands for questions and comments. The world is changing! The Youth of Today is much more involved and engaged in changing the world. They demand a better world for all.

I came home emotional...The world is changing...The Youth of Today is THE CROWD that leaders have to follow.

The Youth! I think you are capable! Let's prove it!

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