

Russia accused of human atrocities but detracts allegations by pushing for a federal solution in Yemen

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Following a much needed unmoderated caucus in order to get resolution papers started, a press release revealed that the Russian Federation (Russia) was contributing to the human rights atrocities in Yemen. Despite receiving this new information, delegates voted to continue debate on the implementation of a two-state solution in Yemen. Canada believed that the proposed two-state system would lack purpose in Yemen because it would only give the Houthi rebels more power, and Soudan gave a personal testimony stating that he was once “victim” to the two-state solution and it caused much instability in his nation. After listening to similar statements discouraging the employment of the two-state solution from both Syria and Lebanon, Yemen said, “The two-state solution idea should be thrown in the trash bin.”

Russia continued this debate by emphasizing that he was recommending the use of a two-state solution that is closely related to the federal system. Contrary to popular belief, he believed that this system would prevent hostility, encourage a liberal constitution, and promote fluidity within the nation. Both Canada and France agreed that the proposed system would only further “polarize the sides.” Canada recommended that the nation disarm the Houthi rebels, then reintegrate them into the Yemen government. Australia concluded this debate by reminding the delegates that the “sovereignty of Yemen is the prime goal,” therefore, none of the debate matters if Yemen disagrees with the implementation of the proposed solution.

After Sweden voiced his disgust at the fact that the committee continued to completely disregard the press release, Canada proposed a motion to discuss the press release, and the motion passed after having previously failed two times. Soudan was perplexed that the USA continued to support Russia, Canada vowed to cease sending arms to Saudi Arabia, and Russia continued to deny each allegation that he was accused of during this debate.

Having finally addressed the press release, debate instantly resumed regarding the practicality of the two-state/federal solution.