



## Public Issues, Resolutions, and Recommendations Committee Proposal Summaries

37th WSCF GA 2022

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**Proposal Type: Public Issues**

**Title: RUSSIAN MILITARY INVASION TO UKRAINE AND THE ROLE OF THE ECUMENICAL MOVEMENT**

**Proposer: Natallia Vasilevich of SCM Belarus**

**Endorser: Paudie Holly of SCM Ireland; Annapaola Carbonatto of SCM Italy; Tuomo Tuiskula of SCM Finland**

**Motion proposed:**

SCM Belarus has prepared a statement to be shared on behalf of the WSCF, and ask for visibility and solidarity actions. They propose that Ukrainians, both displaced and not, be present and empowered in conversation about Russian military invasion. They propose that the WSCF show care for it's Ukranian members including the implementation of safe-space policies, and the accurate language to be used when discussing the war.

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**Proposal Type: Public Issues**

**Title: DELIBERATE ATTEMPT AT EXTERMINATING CHRISTIAN IDENTITIES, INSTITUTIONS AND COMMUNITIES IN NIGERIA**

**Proposer: Ebere Ubesie of SCM Nigeria**

**Endorser: SCM Liberia**

**Motion proposed:**



SCM Nigeria calls on the WSCF, SCMs, and associated ecumenical movement leaders to advocate for issues ongoing in Nigeria in relation to violence against Christian communities, and endorse their engagement with Government.

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**Proposal Type: Public Issues Statement**

**Title: WSCF STATEMENT ON VIOLENCE AGAINST TRANSGENDER AND NON-BINARY PEOPLE**

**Proposer: SCMs of Canada, Aotearoa/New Zealand, and the Philippines**

**Endorser: SCMs of Germany and Britain**

**Motion proposed:**

SCMs Canada, Aotearoa, and the Philippines are asking that a public statement by the WSCF be made denouncing gender-based violence towards the transgender and non-binary global community, and acknowledging that statistics surrounding gender-based violence are grossly underrepresented. They ask that this issue be recognized as a global human rights violation.

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**Proposal Type: Resolution**

**Title: INCREASED INCLUSION OF LGBTQIA+ PARTICIPANTS IN THE WSCF GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**Proposer: SCMs of Canada, Aotearoa/New Zealand, and the Philippines**

**Endorser: SCM Britain**

**Motion proposed:**

SCM Canada, Aotearoa, and the Philippines propose an adjustment in WSCF practices to be more inclusive of the LGBTQIA+ community. Practices include altered room assignments that respect people's gender identities, a pre-assembly for the LGBTQIA+ WSCF community, and the efforts made towards the use of gender-diverse pronouns including "they/them," to be incorporated into the language.

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**Proposal Type: Recommendation**

**Title: A CALL FOR JUSTICE: HEARING THE PLEAD OF PALESTINIAN CHRISTIANS AND LABELLING ISRAEL AS AN APARTHEID REGIME**

**Proposer: Yasmine Rishmawi of SCM Palestine**

**Endorser: Paula Raafat of SCM Egypt**

**Motion proposed:**



SCM Palestine is asking the WSCF to officially take on the position that Israel is guilty of committing Apartheid, to raise awareness, including digitally through Social Media, about the issue, and organizing an Olive picking and/or planting visit to Palestine for SCMerS from other places. The visit to Palestine would need funding.

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**Proposal Type: Resolution**

**Title: RESPECT DEMOCRACY AND HUMAN RIGHTS! STAND WITH MYANMAR PEOPLE!**

**Proposer: Shein That Nynut of SCM Myanmar**

**Endorser: Byungchul PARK (Pio) on behalf of SCM Korea**

**Motion proposed:**

Myanmar desires international solidarity during the current Military Coup by the WSCF body through organized prayers, education, monitoring, and condemnation of current human rights violations done by the military.

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**Proposal Type: Public Issues Statement**

**Title: UNTITLED**

**Proposer: Patrick Holly of SCM Ireland**

**Endorser: Tairine Tai of SCM Brazil; Patrick Ramsey of SCM Britain; Annapaola Carbonatto of SCM Italy; Jorge González Nuñez of SCM Cuba; Christiane Ehrenguber on behalf of SCM Germany and Austria, Dunc Urquhart of SCM Canada, and Julio César González of SCM Venezuela**

**Motion proposed:**

SCM Ireland asks the WSCF to advocate for, and encourage at the grass roots level, the Churches to provide faith-based/sacramental marriage ceremonies for LGBTQIA+ persons.

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**Proposal Type: Public Issues**

**Title: DENOUNCE RODRIGO DUTERTE FOR HIS CRIMES OF HUMANITY! RESIST THE NEWLY-INSTALLED MARCOS-DUTERTE REGIME!**

**Proposer: Kjerrimyr Rodrigo Andrés of SCM Philippines**

**Endorser: Divy of SCM Canada**

**Motion proposed:**

*SCMP has written a statement to be published among WSCF official channels and communications.*



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**Proposal Type:**

**Title: RESIST THE MARCOS-DUTERTE ADMINISTRATION: MONITOR THE HUMAN RIGHTS AND ECONOMIC SITUATION IN THE PHILIPPINES**

**Proposer: Kjerrimyr Rodrigo Andrés of SCM Philippines**

**Endorser: Divy of SCM Canada**

**Motion proposed:**

We call upon the Regional and National WSCF and SCMs to craft a policy paper detailing the detailed views of the WSCF on the socio-political situation in the Philippines;

- to support the investigation of the International Criminal Court (ICC) on Duterte's war on drugs;
- to seek monthly human rights and economic updates from the SCMP and for the WSCF to share these among official channels and communications;
- to spread relevant statements, including the SCMP statement for the 37th WSCF GA regarding the newly-installed Marcos-Duterte regime among official channels and communications;
- to arrange activities with SCMP for solidarity actions and activities which include education, fact-finding missions, and exchange programs;
- to honor September 21, 2022 as the fiftieth year of martial law and commemorate the victims of Marcos and Duterte administrations.

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**Proposal Type: Recommendations**

**Title: A LAND OF HERITAGE CALLED ARTSAKH UNDER DESTRUCTION**

**Proposer: Garen Yosolkianian of Armenian Church University Students' Association**

**Endorser: Jennifer Mouradi of Apostolic Union of Youth - Lebanon**

**Motion proposed:**

The Armenian Church University Students' Association calls on the WSCF to:

- 1- Update the WSCF statement related to the Armenian Genocide of 1915 by recognising the Republic of Artsakh
- 2- Raise awareness about the issue within SCMs (No Funding needed)
- 3- Raise awareness about the issue through social media (No Funding needed)
- 4- Help Armenian SCMs and societies to be in solidarity with the National Committees of Armenian Cause (Needs funding).