RESOLUTION XI – SWISS CONFEDERATION

THEME : POLITICAL AND SOCIAL RIGHTS

CONCERN : LEGALIZATION OF EUTHANASIA

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

- Appalled by the global increase in illegal euthanasia and the observation that individuals are traveling abroad to end their lives in countries where it is permitted,
- Considering that every individual has the right to dignity and autonomy, particularly at the end of life,
- Recalling that Article 3 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights guarantees that every person has the right to life, liberty, and security, and that euthanasia is an option to end unbearable suffering when the quality of life is irreversibly compromised,
- Supporting the fact that countries such as Belgium, Canada, Colombia, the Netherlands, and Luxembourg recognize the right to assisted suicide within their borders, according to Courrier International,
- Clarifying that Switzerland already has legislation permitting assisted suicide, and that in 2023, 1756 individuals sought support from Exit for euthanasia,

Decides

- To establish an international legal framework for euthanasia, ensuring a transparent and secure process;
- To guarantee thorough medical and psychological consultations for at least 9 months after the request for assisted suicide, to assess the patient's will and health condition;
- To implement strict control mechanisms to prevent abuse and ensure transparency in the process, with prior approval from the treating physician;
- To encourage States to adopt euthanasia laws, respecting individuals' right to choose their end of life.

The french text is binding