

Canadian International Model United Nations
2005 Millennium Summit
Recommendation 4.1

Sponsors: Republic of Iraq, United States of America, Pakistan
Signatories: Zimbabwe, Denmark, Vietnam, Ecuador, Libya
Millennium Development Goal #4: Reduce Child Mortality

Recognizing target 5 of MDG 4, to reduce by 2/3, between 1990 and 2015, the under-five mortality rate,

The committee recommends,

Regarding the under-five mortality rate,

- targeting of rural areas, namely in providing improved access to health care facilities
- increased effort to extend safe drinking water to all populations, especially to young children
- the protection of children from environmental health threats, including childhood exposure to chemical and toxic substances, especially those related to industrial pollution through assistance with urban planning

Regarding the infant mortality rate,

- the creation of a commission under the auspices of UNICEF to investigate the prevalence of and contributing factors to infanticide, emphasizing gender-related and economic aspects; this investigation would occur at the expressed invitation of involved states
- education of trained medical personnel, especially in the areas of neo-natal care and obstetrics
- utilization of media to increase public awareness of UNICEF's goals, including, but not limited to popular personality endorsements

Regarding the proportion of 1 year-old children immunized against measles,

- the promotion of immunization programs free from gender discrimination
- increased availability of vaccinations through grassroots organizations
- education of the population with regard to the safety and necessity of vaccinations