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International Waters Issue

Pirates are real and true. They are terrorizing international waters and there seems to be an impossible solution. These criminals are from all around the world making it a tough situation for the countries to find a way to bring them to justice in the court. In these recent years, the crimes of oil theft, hijackings, and more have occurred. According to the ICC (International Chamber of Commerce), just yesterday “An unknown number of robbers boarded an anchored LPG Tanker. The duty watchman noticed one robber on the poop deck and raised the alarm. Seeing the alerted crew, the robbers escaped in a small boat with stolen ship’s store.” (Source). The CCPCJ (The Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice) has begun to talk about the Prosecution of Transnational Sea Criminals. Many delegates have many opinions on how to prevent international crimes on the sea. The delegates who I have heard were Sweden, and Canada, though many came to the General Speaking Podium.

The delegation of Sweden has basically proposed for countries to handle their own waters. Many rose to the question that proposal though. The delegate of Yemen has rose to the point of finding information, “ If one country goes to try and help another country to clear out their water, how will they be able to help?” I find this to be a very interesting question as most countries do share waters and will both try for a solution. Sweden had immediately replied with with suggestion a stable infrastructure. Infrastructure, in this context, meaning supplying ships

with trained forces and workers in order to better protect the products on the ship. There were no more questions that could have been answered.

The delegate of Canada rose to the general speaker pole bringing up a proposal to ratify a collaboration between the countries. The delegate of Canada believes that there is not a lot of international collaboration, therefore the issue cannot be solved. The delegate of Canada proposed to a plan similar to that of the United Kingdom's. The United Kingdom is known for their great security of their channels and oceans, which is just what every country needs in order to help stop the pirates. There were no questions at all.

The debate is still up in the air for the correct conclusion to this international problem. We hope the right decision is made in due time.