

# Resolutions and Recommendations 2011-2013

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### Resolution 1

to work to improve conditions for Americans living, working and retiring overseas.



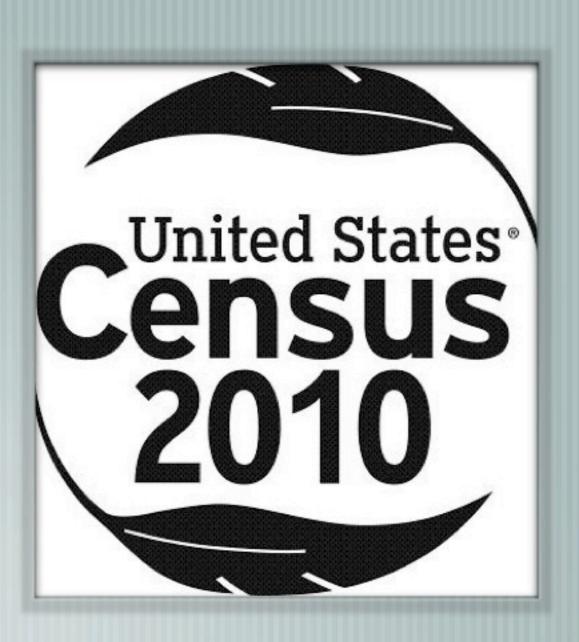
Explore means by which overseas American citizens can be effectively represented in Washington, D.C, including, but not limited to, working with the bi-partisan and bi-cameral Americans Abroad Caucus.



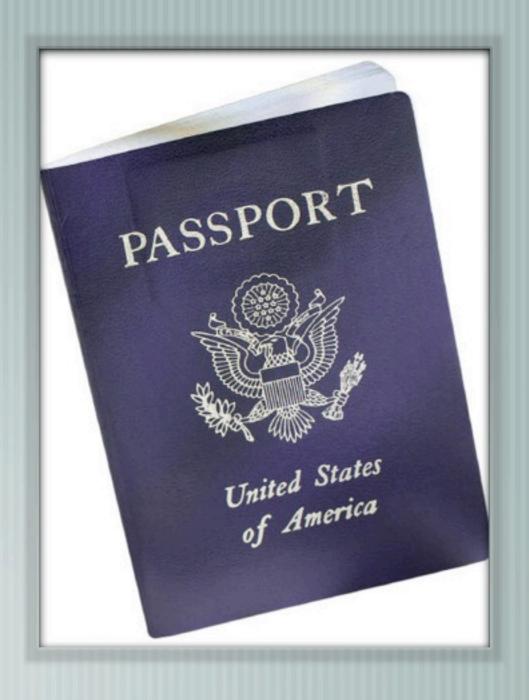
Work to abolish the double taxation liability for overseas American citizens.



Work on the means to obtain reliable statistics on the civilian American population living overseas.



Champion American citizenship rights by monitoring changes in laws to protect against possible loss of American nationality, or other citizenship issues such as inequalities in the rights of children either born or adopted abroad with at least one American citizen parent.



Work with the Alliance for Military and Overseas Voting Rights (AMOVR) to ensure easier and more secure overseas voting procedures; work with the Overseas Vote Foundation to facilitate voting from overseas; encourage member clubs to actively disseminate overseas voter registration information.



Continue to support the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations, particularly Article 36 on the right to consular information, notification and access.



### Resolution 2

to encourage FAWCO members to promote human rights, welfare, and the human and natural environment, with a special focus on the most vulnerable women and children, through awareness and education.





Continue to work through the United Nations for children's rights by supporting the **Convention on the Rights of the** Child (CRC), and for women's rights by supporting the **Convention on the Elimination** of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW).





Take up the global challenge for reducing poverty and improving lives by supporting and promoting the UN Millennium Development Goals; support natural disaster relief via the FAWCO **Emergency Relief Fund.** 

#### Reducing poverty

improves health for everyone.

Together we can do it.



### UN Millennium Dev. Goals

**Eradicate Poverty and Hunger** 

Achieve Universal Primary Education

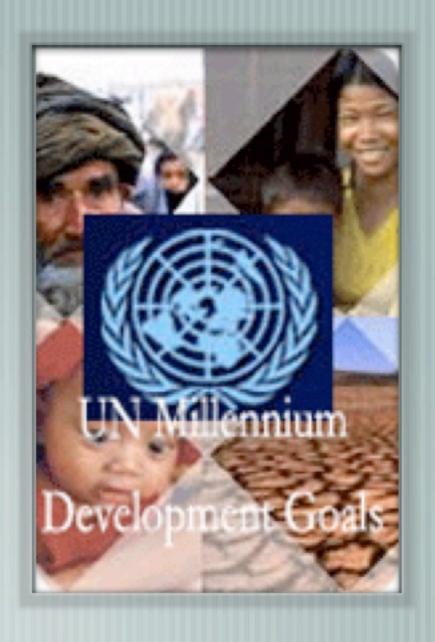
Promote Gender Equality and Empower Women

Reduce Child Mortality

Combat HIV/AIDS, Malaria and Other Diseases

**Ensure Environmental Sustainability** 

Develop a Global Partnership for Development



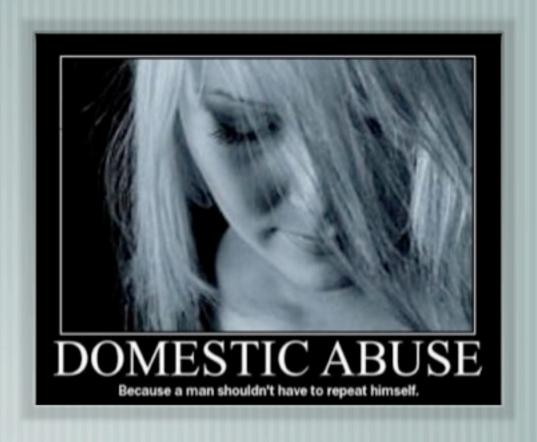
Support the chosen goal of the TARGET PROGRAM - increasing the sustainable access to safe drinking water globally- by all means possible, both on the FAWCO-wide level as well as on a regional and club level; disseminate information to increase awareness of the Target goal as well as encouraging active club participation.



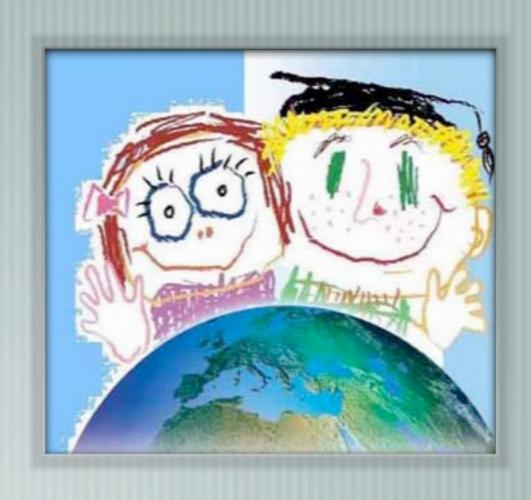
Affirm a person's right to accurate information about reproductive and sexual health, including HIV/AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases; support health education programs aimed at preventing, controlling and treating diseases; publish information on cardiovascular disease, cancer and other health issues.



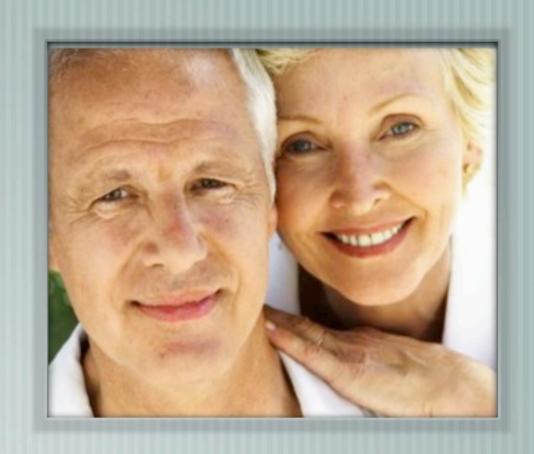
Support efforts to protect women and children in abusive and conflict situations; promote awareness of practices harmful to women; support efforts to promote awareness of and to abolish modern day slavery.



Contribute to educational needs, especially for dual-national children and those who learn differently; support universal primary school education and the education of women.



Promote active ageing; disseminate information on health, finance, care and security for those growing older.



Assist and encourage member clubs in projects that benefit the environment, especially those that help reduce global warming, including carbonneutral travel and green measures at home and at **FAWCO Conferences** 



#### Resolution 3

to promote mutual respect, understanding and international goodwill between the United States and other countries.



**Endorse the United Nations as** a forum for the peaceful resolution of conflicts; advocate United States support for the International Criminal Court (ICC) to uphold the rule of law, and to prosecute and deter war crimes and crimes against humanity.



Encourage respect for international perspectives on current issues and cultural differences by reaching out to other international organizations through local events, workshops and speakers at Conferences and Regional Meetings.



Encourage member clubs to promote multi-cultural understanding by participating actively in their communities through charitable work, educational outreach, and social networking.



#### Resolution 4

to optimize FAWCO's support of its member clubs.



Promote the broadest possible participation of member clubs within FAWCO in the following areas:

- a) conference and regional meetings by participating as attendees and presenters of their workshops;
- b) conference and regional meetings by encouraging clubs to host these events while minimizing costs wherever possible;
- c) volunteer positions by maintaining a wide representation of clubs within FAWCO.



Promote benefits of FAWCO membership to all member clubs and reach out to non-member American and international clubs. FAWCO officers and Committee/Task Force Chairs should:

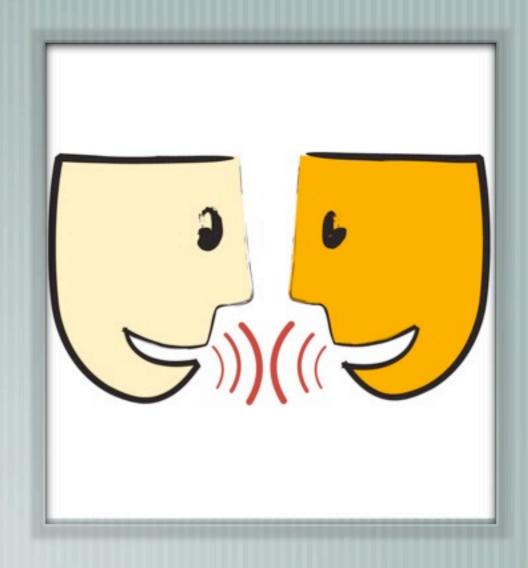
- a) maintain high profile and accessibility;
- b) encourage direct communication with members of FAWCO clubs;
- c) promote FAWCO's user-friendly website;
- d) stay abreast of the latest social media and communication technologies.





#### Reinforce support for member clubs by:

- a) facilitating interclub communication between club presidents and between FAWCO representatives;
- b) maintaining tools for clubs to share best practice information;
- c) maintaining Club Workshop
  program of "members helping
  members" on various topics including
  club management and development.



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