

Intervention World Union of Jewish Students during session 1:

Honored delegates, Mr. Chairman,

Jewish students around the world are encountering anti-Semitism. They have to deal with intolerance and often anti-Semitism in the expressions of so called anti-Israel arguments. Student newspapers, websites and other forms of media often have anti-Semitic articles and other features in them. Since 1989 anti-Semitism around the world rose about six times, also by the means of the media. This has to stop! Not only on student campuses, but everywhere around the world.

The next session will deal with education. Education is one of the important, maybe the most important, tools to fight anti-Semitism and other forms of intolerance. In many countries, for example Australia and the Netherlands where Muslims and Jews educate children and youth in schools together, NGO's create projects to create understanding and mutual respect.

- We urge the delegations to work together in the fight against discrimination.
- We urge the delegations to seek active cooperation with local and international NGO's. Cooperation will strengthen the fight against discrimination.
- We encourage and urge the delegations and the chairman-in-office to strengthen the role of the personal representatives to the chairman-in-office. Please give them the tools and resources to start working actively on the implementation of the 'Berlin Declaration'.

This beautiful city of Cordoba is often called 'the city of the three cultures'. This makes Cordoba a great place to have this conference which deals with implementations. Dear delegates, dear Mr. Chairman, do not let this city down!

Thank you