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With the international socio-economic development we see the rise of multinational companies (from hereby referred as MNCs) all around the world, these companies bring a boost in the development of the countries and the also encourage international trade, international cooperation and many more things But we can also see that these companies often use the flaws and shortcomings of some countries and exploit their resources and labour. The people violated usually belong to under-developed or developing countries as their governments are not able keep a proper checks as they are focused on the basic lifestyle problems they are facing.

One of the major examples are the oil rich African countries, MNCs control the oil reserves in these countries and their major motivation and goal is to increase their own profits, in doing so they have violated the working conditions of the people and the natural resources and there is negligible growth in these countries.

European MNCs have been found abusing the people in Latin American and Caribbean countries. European companies hold an extremely important and strategic importance in these regions but their violations have resulted in increased impoverishment, the pillaging of natural resources, dismantling of public services, conflict, and criminalisation of social protest and devastation of the environment.

The newly discovered oil in Belize has attracted many global companies and even though we don't see much of a development in our nation. We wish to have a proper use of our resources for the socio-economic development of our nation. If not given proper attention and importance we many also get violated by the multinational companies and gain nothing from our very own resources.

My country feels that if no steps are taken at the international level this violation may continue to increase and we will be its prey in the near future. There should be proper international laws for these companies which would help in the development of the nations and not only the shareholders of the MNCs. We believe that if these

companies follow proper and ethical ways we may see a big effect on several sustainable goals in the future. Poverty levels will decrease, there would be job security, sustainable use of the natural resources and great increase in the GDP of all the nations.

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