**Delegation: Kingdom of Denmark**

**Committee: United Nations General Assembly (UNGA)**
**Agenda: Regulating Artificial Intelligence to Prevent Digital Colonialism**

**I. Background of the Topic**

As Artificial Intelligence continues to evolve, so does the power imbalance in who builds it, controls it, and benefits from it. Today, a small number of tech corporations and countries dominate global AI infrastructure often operating in developing nations without proper regulations or transparency. This leads to what many are calling **digital colonialism**: where data is extracted, systems are deployed, and influence is exerted, without giving local communities a say.

AI has the potential to solve real-world problems, but without clear international rules, it can easily become a modern-day tool of **extraction and control**, especially for countries that lack the digital capacity to push back.

**II. Denmark’s Position**

Denmark believes that technology should serve people not control them. As a nation built on **democracy, transparency, and respect for human rights**, we are deeply concerned about the unchecked spread of AI systems in regions that are digitally vulnerable.

We’ve taken real steps toward ethical AI use. Through our **TechPlomacy initiative**, we became the first country to appoint a **tech ambassador** treating tech companies as influential actors who must be held accountable. We’ve also actively supported the **EU AI Act**, which sets standards for transparency, risk control, and fairness in AI systems.

To Denmark, this is not just a tech issue it’s about **global justice**. No country should become digitally dependent on another. Every nation has a right to **data sovereignty** and to shape how AI impacts its people.

**III. Proposed Solutions**

1. **A UN-Led Global Framework on Ethical AI**
Denmark strongly supports the formation of a UN agreement that ensures AI is used responsibly, respects **human rights**, and protects nations from digital exploitation.
2. **Fairer Access to AI Development**
Instead of exporting pre-built AI systems to developing countries, we should invest in building **local capacity** training youth, funding research, and supporting tech startups in the Global South.
3. **Stronger Regulation of Tech Giants**
Global tech companies must be subject to **international standards**, especially when their algorithms affect elections, healthcare, or education in other nations.
4. **Transparency and Data Consent**
Governments and corporations must obtain **informed consent** when collecting data, and citizens must have the right to know how their information is being used especially in public sector AI.
5. **Protection of Cultural and Indigenous Knowledge**
AI should never erase identities. Local cultures, languages, and traditions must be respected and protected when AI is deployed across borders.

**Conclusion**

Denmark believes that if we want a future where AI benefits everyone not just the powerful we need **collective action**. This is our moment to build a digital world that reflects **equality, dignity, and freedom**.

Let us make sure AI doesn’t become the next form of colonization but a tool for **shared progress**.