

# Model United Nations



# Xinjiang Conflict

- The Xinjiang conflict is an ongoing separatist struggle in the People's Republic of China (PRC) far-west province of Xinjiang.

- [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Xinjiang\\_conflict](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Xinjiang_conflict)



# The last Major Outbreak...

- Almost 200 people died in ethnic riots in Urumqi, the administrative capital of Xinjiang, in July 2009. One of the sparks for the violence seems to have been the deaths of two Uighurs in clashes with Han Chinese at a factory thousands of miles away in southern China.



Uighur women protested in a bid to discover the fate of their loved ones

# Current Situation..

- Xinjiang has received huge state investment in industrial and energy projects, and Beijing has been keen to highlight these as major steps forward. But many Uighurs complain that the Han are taking their jobs, and that their farmland has been confiscated for redevelopment.
- The activities of local and foreign journalists are closely monitored by the state and there are few independent sources of news from the region.
- However, occasional attacks on Chinese targets suggest Uighur separatism remains a potent and potentially violent force.

- <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-asia-china-22278037>

# There is so far no involvement with the UN

- UNITED NATIONS: UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon condemned Thursday's attack on civilians at an open-air market in Xinjiang, China, and said he hoped that those responsible will be brought to justice.

UNITED NATIONS, July 9 -- The day after Turkish Prime Minister Tayyip Erdogan was quoted by that "We will put the events happening in the Xinjiang Uighur autonomous region onto the agenda of the United Nation"

# Solutions to the Xinjiang conflict...

- We believe that the UN peacekeepers should be sent to the Xinjiang conflict to help if the conflict persists.
- *“Peacekeeping has proven to be one of the most [effective tools](http://www.un.org/en/peacekeeping/operations/peacekeeping.shtml) available to the UN to assist host countries navigate the difficult path from conflict to peace.”* <http://www.un.org/en/peacekeeping/operations/peacekeeping.shtml>
- <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7u2gJeDHap0>
- *(Peace keeping video, made by the UN peacekeepers)*

- Thankyou for watching our presentation.. We hope you are now more aware of the Xinjiang conflict in Asia.



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