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# A WAR OF EGOS: WHO IS FIGHTING MONKEYPOX?

Today, the World Health Organization has started their session regarding the Monkeypox health problem around the world. And, as an outsider, inside of the session, you would assume they would center their efforts upon directly fighting the spreading of the disease, right? Well, it seems that you would have the same hope as an average person. And if you were to be as similar as quotidian, then the development of the session would leave you with your mouth wide open.

In a committee based on fighting a disease, there is an awful small number of people in search of wanting to fight the disease. Countries such as Chile, Mexico, Spain or the United States have stated solutions, propositions, and have led the door open in order to speak about the spreading. But then, there are countries such as South Africa, Italy, or Canada, who appear to be only in the committee in order to stop its development.

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From the three examples given, the most troubling is definitely Canada. A delegation who has only centered either on the “Mental Health Spread” of the disease, by saying that it’s more important than the physical spreading of it, and going out of their way to contradict and offend propositions made by other delegates. The best example is Chile.

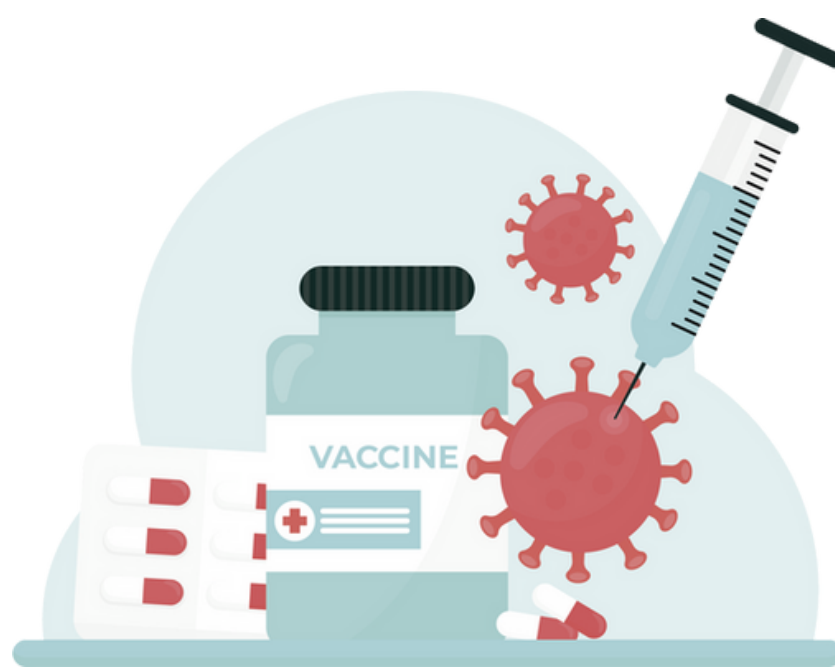


The Bureau has had the opportunity to do a short interview on the delegate of Chile.

Q: You mentioned that you want to transform a Chilean vaccine company into one specialized in monkeypox. How do you plan to do this?

A: Using monetary resources from the different world powers. The Chilean delegation thinks of creating a company that specializes in monkeypox vaccines with the resources given and trying to have the right workers for the company.

Q: The delegate from Canada mentions that Chile does not have monetary resources to produce vaccines. What do you think about this?



A: That the Canadian delegation has not had enough information to know that delegations such as Chile have over 300 million in their GDP. And with those resources alone, or with external help, he could make the vaccine company.

So, as far as we can see, many delegates do not have a clue regarding the information of countries other than themselves, and while this can be important at the moment of discussing solutions, a delegate should not shield their information. Instead, they should share it, and be open to criticism and different information that are non-personal.

Yet, other than a distant war of egos, not many delegates have been sharing their solutions. As seen previously, Chile has proposed the transformation of an enterprise of vaccines, to become specialized on Monkeypox vaccines. But, other delegations have also proposed awareness of the disease through different talks and expositions.

Nonetheless, to the average viewer, incidents regarding Canada and Chile can leave you wondering if it only lies upon egos and the status of “hero” to a country. It leaves people wondering: WHO is fighting Monkeypox?