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AGENDA: Solving the Arctic Crisis
(Rapid Militarisation and Economic Tensions)

CRISIS TIMELINE

Important events leading up to UNGASS 2025, starting from July 2018.

The following are the important events with regards to the Arctic in chronological order:

November 2018:

The Russian Government in a public statement announces that it aims to further speed up militarization in the Arctic.

January 2019:

China finishes the construction of ice-breaker Snow Dragon 2.

August 2019:

UNEP officials, claim their research in the region has yielded catastrophic results. The Arctic Ice is melting even faster than predicted previously. Urges Governments all around the world to take climate change seriously.

February 2020:

The United States allocates more resources dedicated to the Arctic. Donald Trump says "The Arctic is a region that has, in my opinion, been majorly neglected. The Arctic has a huge potential."

November 2020:

News Reports from the Arctic says permafrost throughout the region has caused widespread disruption of life. Various indigenous groups hold protests, saying the Governments are not doing enough.

March 2021:

A large chunk of Sami population in Finland had to be rehabilitated due to rise in sea level due to melting ice. The Arctic observes warmest temperatures recorded in recent memory.

July 2021:

Canada claims Russia is violating its economic borders in the Arctic Sea, thus violating the Law of the Seas. The Russian Government retaliates, saying, "Canada is spreading lies."

December 2021:

China stresses the Arctic belongs to "everyone".

June 2022:

Denmark plants its flag in the north Pole, uprooting the Russian flag in the process.

January 2023:

India, in a surprising and unprecedented statement, supports China's stance. Says the economic advantages of the Arctic Region cannot be limited to a few countries.

September 2023:

New economic corridors open up in the Arctic, which were previously inaccessible. Militarization efforts increase across all five countries bordering the region. The Norwegian government warns rapid militarization will cause only increasing tensions. Says the Arctic is one step away from blowing up.

January 2024:

More and more indigenous people have to be displaced due to the rapid melting of ice and the dangerously high sea levels. The United States Government says they maintain their stance on climate change. Says it's imaginary and based on baseless conjectures.

June 2024:

A huge undersea oil reserve is discovered just in the US- Canada sea border. Both countries claim it as theirs. Canada says the US bullying of smaller countries must stop. Says "We are not Iraq".

August 2024:

Unprecedented and dangerous rise in sea levels. Large numbers of indigenous people displaced.

The Prime Minister of the United Kingdom says all the oil and gas would be useless if the world is covered by oceans. Encourages all countries to take firm measures against global warming. Says there is no time left, it's now or never.

December 2024:

A BBC investigation highlights the sad and miserable life of the indigenous people who were displaced from the coastal areas in Alaska and brought to the mainland. They say the government has done nothing for them.

30th Aprill 2025: <u>UNGASS 2025</u> (Solving The Arctic Crisis)