



American Model United Nations  
**Second Committee**

GA 2nd/I/2

SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Natural Disasters and Vulnerability  
SUBMITTED TO: The Second Committee  
SUBMITTED BY: Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Democratic Republic of  
the Congo, Kuwait, Congo

*The Second Committee*

1 *Affirming* the decisions made in A/RES/60/196, A/RES/60/125, and  
2 A/RES/58/215 specifically pertaining to the action taken to improve the environment and  
3 infrastructure,  
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5 *Noting with deep concern* the lack of action taken in past resolutions pertaining to  
6 natural disasters and their effect on potable water,  
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8 *Recognizing* the need to continue to develop an understanding of, and to address,  
9 water conditions and especially the lack of access to sustainable clean drinking water due  
10 to natural disasters,  
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12 *Deeply concerned about* the increasing desertification in the world causing a  
13 financial burden on farmers, businesses, and communities throughout the world,  
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15 *Alarmed by* the pervasiveness of water born diseases caused by contaminated  
16 water in various regions of the world,  
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18 *Reaffirming* UN declaration of "Water for Life" decade, focusing on physical  
19 implementation of clean water development,  
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21 *1. Encourages* nations to understand and recognize of the connection between  
22 potable water and natural disasters,  
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24 *2. Calls upon* member states to actively participate and analyze projected goals of  
25 "Water For Life" UN agenda,  
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27 *3. Urges States* to take necessary steps to develop water infrastructure by:  
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29 *(a)* Creating a program that addresses the issues of accessible safe drinking water  
30 and sustainable development and act as an overseeing organization that finances  
31 construction of clean wells, municipal water purification of under-privileged countries,

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32 and developing viable water purification facilities and sustainable development resources  
33 on major water channels and sources,

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35 (b) Improving sustainable distribution of safe drinking water to areas affected by  
36 water born diseases before and immediately after natural disasters,

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38 (c) Combat encroaching desertification through responsible crop rotation and land  
39 clearing practices,

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41 (d) Educating low income and poverty stricken areas with basic knowledge of  
42 safe drinking water procedures through program workers and volunteers,

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44 (e) Requesting monetary and man-power assistance through Non-Governmental  
45 Organizations for areas effected or most susceptible to natural disasters,

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47 4. *Reminds* all States of their responsibility in perserving life and reducing the  
48 proportion of people without sustainable access to safe drinking water and basic  
49 sanitation in half by 2015.

Passed, Yes: 56 / No: 12 / Abstain: 16

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