



American Model United Nations  
**Second Committee**

GA 2nd/I/3

SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Natural Disasters and Vulnerability  
SUBMITTED TO: The Second Committee  
SUBMITTED BY: Sierra Leone, Ghana, Senegal, Indonesia, Mauritania,  
Namibia

*The Second Committee,*

- 1        *Observing* the catastrophic consequences of developing nations' incapacity to  
2 respond to destructive natural phenomena,  
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4        *Recognizing* several member states have shown discontent in the past of how  
5 funds regarding natural disasters have been spent and managed,  
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7        *Hoping* that developing countries move in a direction of self-sustaining progress,  
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9        *Recalling* previous UN Documents A/54/497, A/54/132, A/56/68, A/54/136,  
10 A/60/196, Yokohama Strategy, and The Hyogo Framework for Action,  
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12        1. *Recommends* that funds being contributed by member states be directed to  
13 independent NGO's and UN bodies that specialize in the given N\natural disaster;  
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15        2. *Suggests* that in an initial measure of good faith, all nations deciding to  
16 contribute Natural Disaster Reduction and Risk Management shall contribute available  
17 resources upfront;  
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19        3. *Encourages* developing nations to develop infrastructure such as  
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21        (a) *Build* roads, rails systems, and Designated Evacuation Zones, for the purposes  
22 of:  
23                (i) *Increasing trade* among cities for economic prosperity;  
24                (ii) *Serving* as evacuation routes in times of Natural Disaster;  
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26        (b) *Including*, but not limited to, the building of Dams, Levees, Canals, and other  
27 disaster prevention structures, with respect to the environment;  
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29        (c) *Calls upon* member nations to promote environmental reconstitution. Such as  
30 restoring land from deforestation, restoring sea areas from over fishing, restoring abused

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31 land, and/or construction of irrigation systems;

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33 4. *Advises* the implementation of early warning systems such as emergency radio,  
34 TV broadcasts, community warning systems, etc.;

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36 5. *Recommends* a system of increasing trade options for member states based  
37 gross contributions:

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39 (a) *Amount* of trading options will be based on the per capita income of the  
40 country, regressing as per capita income increases;

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42 6. *Calling upon* member states to support local and grass root efforts to promote  
43 natural disaster safety and development.

Passed, Yes: 56 / No: 15 / Abstain: 20