



American Model United Nations

Economic and Social Council

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SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Economic and Environmental Questions: Science and Technology for Development

SUBMITTED TO: The Economic and Social Council

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The Economic and Social Council

1 *Recalling* the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development, the
2 Johannesburg Declaration on Sustainable Development, and the Geneva Declaration of
3 Principles and Plans of Action,
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5 *Noting with appreciation* the continued work of the Commission on Science and
6 Technology for Development (CSTD),
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8 *Reaffirming* the need for economic development and environmental protection as
9 interdependent principles of sustainable development,
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11 *Emphasizing* that sustainable development is a key element for achieving
12 internationally agreed development goals including those contained in the UN
13 Millennium Declaration,
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15 *Noting* that technological and scientific needs differ among member states,
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17 *Recognizing* that international co-operation can address the North and South
18 technological gap and raise productivity in developing and least developed countries,
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20 *Affirming* the importance of green or environmentally friendly and/or renewable
21 technology and green energy in achieving environmental and developmental
22 sustainability,
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24 *Noting with satisfaction* the successes of Grameen Bank and microfinance in
25 Bangladesh, India, and other developing countries,
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27 1. *Encourages* UN Member States to continue supporting fair trade and
28 sustainable industries;
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30 2. *Advocates* greater co-operation between public and private sectors in order to
31 form a network of scientific centers to promote research and development;

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3. *Encourages* participation in the UN Information and Communication Technology Task Force;

4. *Pledges* to support Member States efforts to spread knowledge and raise awareness about the importance and applicability of science and technology;

5. *Urges* Member States to create economic incentives for investments in microfinance programs in order to support and encourage small startup companies in Least Developed Countries;

6. *Supports* the use of recycled materials in the industrial production process for the purpose of reducing energy used in production;

7. *Encourages* the development of green technologies and green energy as appropriate in individual member states;

8. *Discourages* the displacement of waste, especially radioactive waste, in foreign, sovereign territories that would impede their sustainable development;

9. *Discourages* the adoption of nuclear technology by states that do not have the financial resources necessary to responsibly manage nuclear waste.

Passed, Yes: 25 / No: 2 / Abstain: 10