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SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Environment and Security Partnerships: Conflicts and the Environment

SUBMITTED TO: The United Nations Environment Programme

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The United Nations Environment Programme

1 *Recognizing* the danger posed by the use of depleted uranium (DU) munitions to both the
2 environment and human health,

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4 *Noting* that all countries have an interest in ensuring the health of its people and its
5 environment,

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7 *Realizing* the danger posed by the use of DU in munitions to both human health and the
8 environment,

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10 *Recognizing* the potential for adverse health effects, such as kidney damage, in areas
11 affected by the use of DU, especially in children,

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13 *Concurring* with the World Health Organization (WHO) on the need for post-conflict
14 clean-up and monitoring of areas in which DU munitions have been used WHO FactSheet 257
15 (January 2003),

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17 *Noting* that conflict areas affected by depleted uranium often contain additional hazards,
18 such as unexploded munitions, and that great care must be taken when cleaning up contaminated
19 areas,

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21 1. *Discourages* the use of depleted uranium munitions;

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23 2. *Proposes* a fund for the clean-up of conflict areas affected by the use of DU munitions,
24 called the Post-Conflict Depleted Uranium Munitions Program (PCDUMP), to be overseen by
25 the UNEP and funded by Member States.

Passed, Yes: 13 / No: 9 / Abstain: 3