



American Model United Nations
General Assembly

GA/2/II/2

SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Convention on Biological Diversity

SUBMITTED TO: The General Assembly

SUBMITTED BY: Second Committee

The General Assembly

1 *Affirming* Article 2.1 of the United Nations Charter, which guarantees sovereign
2 equality,

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4 *Reaffirming* General Assembly resolutions 63/219, 62/194, and all other previous
5 resolutions related to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD),

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7 *Also reaffirming* General Assembly resolution 61/203 that declared 2010 the
8 International Year of Biodiversity,

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10 *Noting* the report of the Executive Secretary of the CBD on the work of the
11 Conference of the Parties to the Convention,

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13 *Welcoming* the work of the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development,
14 especially in its effort to verify adherence to the CBD,

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16 *Recalling* the success of the Microcredit Campaign and the goals set up by the
17 official Development Assistance,

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19 *Recognizing* that information sharing and exchange of knowledge can help
20 Member States to internally develop technical competence for the protection of
21 biodiversity,

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23 *Emphasizing* the need to simultaneously achieve environmental protection and
24 economic development through the implementation of local action plans,

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26 *Alarmed* with the affects of inaction among the developed and developing
27 Member States and the current state of ecological degradation,

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29 *Realizing* the benefits of conservation, protection, and sharing,

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31 1. *Encourages* the participation of all Member States to the Convention on
32 Biological Diversity to strive to meet the 2010 goals of reducing the rate of loss of

33 biodiversity;

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35 2. *Calls upon* Member States to develop a global partnership addressing
36 environmental issues impeding sustainable development for all communities of the world
37 and identifies a connection between a nation's well-being and its biological diversity - if a
38 nation is biologically stable, it will be more likely to be economically stable;

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40 3. *Welcomes* action relevant to the Millennium Development Goals Seven and
41 Eight;

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43 4. *Encourages* developed member States to facilitate access for developing
44 Member States to safe drinking water through technical resources;

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46 5. *Recommends* ECOSOC develop a program that can work collaboratively with
47 the International Monetary Fund and World Bank to provide Micro Loan assistance to
48 Member States wishing to carry out sustainable development practices;

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50 6. *Encourages* international coordination and multilateral cooperation between
51 states concerning their national initiatives stemming from the Convention on Biological
52 Diversity's principles in establishing National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plans
53 (NBSAP's);

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55 7. *Recognizes* all Member States rights to their respective intellectual property and
56 genetic resources;

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58 8. *Further recognizes* the recent progress made towards the the creation of an
59 international regime that would serve to facilitate the process of fair and equitable sharing
60 of the benefits arising from the use of genetic resources;

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62 9. *Recognizes* that environmental degradation holds a strong relationship with
63 climate change and desertification.

Passed, Yes: 57 / No: 7 / Abstain: 17