



American Model United Nations  
**General Assembly**

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SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: International Cooperation on Humanitarian Assistance in the Field of Natural Disasters, from Relief to Development

SUBMITTED TO: The General Assembly

SUBMITTED BY: United Kingdom, Cape Verde, Czech Republic, Mauritius, Mozambique

*The General Assembly*

1            *Understanding* the challenges faced by the United Nations and the global  
2 community alike, and the particular situation of each Member-State, as well as the  
3 common issues faced by regions as a whole,

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5            *Recognizing* that the unique characteristics of every Member State and their  
6 internal political, economic, and social frameworks present challenges for the  
7 management of international resources,

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9            *Further recognizing* the need for an intermediary between disaster relief  
10 organizations located in each Member State and the United Nations,

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12            *Urging* the global community to take appropriate and necessary steps to minimize  
13 the impacts felt in the aftermath of a natural disaster,

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15            1. *Calls upon* the Committee for Development Policy (CDP), as a subsidiary body  
16 of the United Nations Economic and Social Council, to, through their responsibility to  
17 review the status of least-developed member-states, focus in particular on emerging  
18 cross-sectoral development issues;

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20            2. *Further calls upon* the CDP to focus on international cooperation for  
21 development, specifically on medium and long-term solutions, and to take an active role  
22 in the following:

23            (a) The creation of a merit-based distribution method, focusing on each state's  
24 efforts to improve their individualized system rather than their ability to do so, for long-  
25 term infrastructural assistance through United Nations approved Non-Governmental  
26 Organizations (NGOs), which must pledge to relegate the funds given to them by the  
27 United Nations (with oversight by Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs) to  
28 finance efforts toward economic development in the ranked member states related to  
29 natural disaster preparedness;

30 (b) Developing an individualized planning report for each Member State, which  
31 specifies what measures the respective state should implement to minimize the impact  
32 felt after a natural disaster. The report would be the culmination of collaboration between  
33 individual states and the Committee for Development Policy and Analysis Division. This  
34 serves as a measure to improve the disaster response in countries, regardless of their  
35 ranking.

Passed, Yes: 51 / No: 6 / Abstain: 11