



American Model United Nations

General Assembly Third Committee

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SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: The Right to Food

SUBMITTED TO: The General Assembly Third Committee

The General Assembly Third Committee,

1 *Reaffirming* the previous resolutions of this body,

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3 *Recognizing* that access to sufficient nutrition and food is difficult and near
4 impossible in certain regions,

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6 *Taking into consideration* that the right to food is one of the most vital issues in
7 the global society and that it should be upheld as soon as possible,

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9 *Having considered* the paramount importance of state sovereignty in international
10 affairs and agreements,

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12 *Calling* on the 25th Article of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the
13 Universal Declaration on the Eradication of Hunger and Malnutrition and the United
14 Nations Millennium Declaration, in particular Millennium Development Goal 1 on
15 eradicating extreme poverty and hunger in half by 2015,

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17 1. *Recommends* the General Assembly establish a knowledge-based United
18 Nations multilateral body consisting of educational programs, specialists, up-to-date
19 technology, and infrastructural development, which include:

20 (a) Encouraging cultural and regional understandings regarding agricultural lands;
21 (b) Researching the circumstances for each nation as well as the overarching
22 challenges that climate change presents;

23 (c) Promoting communication between the specialists and the government in the
24 long run decisions of crop production;

25 (d) Advocating the education and self-sufficiency of minority groups;

26 (e) Stressing the transparency of the distribution of resources to people in need;

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28 2. *Calls upon* the collaboration of the United Nations with Non-Governmental
29 Organizations (NGO), with the understanding that NGOs already have existing ties that
30 allow them to provide valuable regional and national information that will prevent
31 bureaucratic waste and be able to provide more direct food aid, particularly in emergency
32 situations;

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34 3. *Supports* the right to land and the importance of the quality of soil in the
35 manner of:

36 (a) Renovating land for agricultural purposes such as:

- 37 (i) Areas not in use due to waste, regional conflicts, or contamination;
38 (b) Maximizing the effectiveness and the nutritional values of crop production;
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40 4. *Aims* in the long run for reduced dependence of each sovereign Nation in the
41 agricultural sector, affording a certain degree of self-sufficiency of each Nation;
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43 5. *Respects* the choice of each sovereign Nation to decide which crops are most
44 efficient and suited to its natural environment;
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46 6. *Requests* the use of an impartial expert to research the use of genetically
47 modified foods;
48 (a) Noting with concern the possible unforeseen consequences;
49 (b) Respecting the integrity of the existing biodiversity of the region;
50 (c) Stressing the importance of Member States' sovereignty in regards to food
51 production;
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53 7. *Suggests* that all Member States take action to help nations in addressing
54 problems concerning food sovereignty.

Passed by consensus, with 42 abstentions