



American Model United Nations

## Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean

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SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Sustainable Development and Human Settlements

SUBMITTED TO: The Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean

### *The Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean*

1           *Reaffirming* that the global environment is an international issue, and that all  
2 states are stewards of the Earth and carry the responsibility of ensuring that the world's  
3 resources be preserved to the best of their ability as set forth by General Assembly  
4 resolution 44/228 (LXXXV) of 22 December 1989,  
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6           *Deeply concerned* by the effects that illicit drug trade has on biodiversity and its  
7 contribution to deforestation worldwide,  
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9           *Recognizing* the efforts of the United Nations Office on Drug and Crime to study  
10 and analyze the illicit global drug trade,  
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12           *Viewing with appreciation* of the efforts of the United Nations Office on Drug and  
13 Crime to establish international mechanisms for the prevention and eradication of the  
14 drug trade through the strategy outlined in the Economic and Social Council resolution  
15 2012/12 of 10 August 2012,  
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17           *Cognizant* of the illicit drug trade and the damage that it has done to biodiversity  
18 worldwide, as well as the hindrance that it poses to the development of sustainable  
19 practices,  
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21           *Additionally reaffirming* that the reason rural farmers choose to grow crops that  
22 are production inputs for the illicit drug trade is due to an artificially restricted supply  
23 which drives prices higher than that of alternative crops and encourages rapid  
24 deforestation for their growth,  
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27           1. *Urges* the establishment of a regional program geared toward the restoration of  
28 forests damaged as a result of the international drug trade;  
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30           2. *Encourages* the implementation of state-sponsored vertical farming for the  
31 cultivation of crops used in the manufacture of drugs on the illicit drug trade market;  
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33           3. *Recommends* the investment and research into the cultivation of crop inputs of

39 the illicit drug trade;

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41 4. *Further recommends* that legal and international law regulatory bodies such as  
42 INTERPOL enhance establishment of a global monitoring system to study the full extent  
43 of the effects of the practices associated with the illicit drug trade so that more effective  
44 methods of restoration may be developed and implemented in damaged regions;

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46 6. *Reminds* States that all programs of restoration should be conducted with the  
47 consent, coordination, and collaboration of local indigenous populations and should  
48 under no circumstances violate their territorial or cultural rights.

Passed, Yes: 17 / No: 4 / Abstain: 6