



*American Model United Nations*  
**Economic and Social Council**

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SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Poverty eradication

SUBMITTED TO: The Economic and Social Council

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- 1 *Emphasizing* the United Nation's dedication to achieving the Millennium Development
- 2 Goals (MDGs),
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- 4 *Recalling* the Program of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the decade 2011-
- 5 2020,
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- 7 *Recognizing* that poverty is a global issue, is regionally unique, and needs an approach
- 8 directed towards the specific vital issues in each region,
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- 10 *Affirming* progress already made in lifting 700 million people out of poverty since 1990,
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- 12 *Concerned* that one-fifth of the world's population continues to live in poverty,
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- 14 *Deeply concerned* about the lack of opportunity for those in poverty,
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- 16 *Noting* the growing role of Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) in fighting poverty,
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- 18 *Recognizing* that micro-lending and micro-finance is an effective means of fighting
- 19 poverty,
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- 21 1. *Encourages* the World Bank to consider increasing funding by reallocation for NGOs
- 22 that work in micro-finance and micro-lending;
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- 24 2. *Recommends* that the NGOs be selected from those who already work with the United
- 25 Nations and are in good standing as determined by the World Bank;
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- 27 3. *Urges* the General Assembly to continue to support micro-financing and micro-lending
- 28 as a way to end poverty by 2030;
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- 30 4. *Recommends* that the World Bank assess a reallocation of the distribution of funds by:
- 31 (a) Collaborating more closely with regional banks to support the areas of
- 32 deepest need;

33 (b) Helping regional banks organize and work with NGOs to provide micro-loans  
34 to individuals in developing communities;

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36 5. *Highlights* the differing levels of need between rural and urban communities,  
37 and understanding that agriculture-based communities are in more need of micro-loan  
38 funding;

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40 6. *Suggests* a two year checks on grants and financing from the United Nations  
41 Development Programme and World Bank before evaluation of progress made by micro-  
42 loans;

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44 7. *Urges* regional diversity in the dispersal of funds.

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46 8. *Emphasizes* the importance of technological innovations that can be obtained  
47 by micro-loans and the impact they can have rural agricultural development.

Passed, Yes: 15 / No: 3 / Abstain: 23