



American Model United Nations
Economic and Social Council

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SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations

SUBMITTED TO: The Economic and Social Council

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1 *Noting with concern* the need for preemptive measures in preparing for and
2 handling humanitarian crises situations,

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4 *Desiring* to create an emphasis on low-cost preparedness measures such as
5 information sharing, preemptive education regarding disaster mitigation best practices
6 and case studies,

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8 *Noting with appreciation* the Hyogo Framework for Action (HFA) enacted by the
9 United Nations on January 22, 2005 (resolution 206/6) and the precedent it has set in the
10 realm of disaster risk reduction,

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12 *Keeping in mind* the HFA's mission to prevent disasters from hindering
13 development and from adversely affecting the fight to eradicate poverty,

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15 *Expressing* appreciation for the 168 Member States who originally endorsed HFA,
16 which has now seen more than 100 States institute risk reduction policies, along with
17 progress made in States in every part of the world,

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19 *1. Recommends that disaster risk reduction becomes a standard part of the United*
20 *Nations coordination of emergency humanitarian aid by continuing the Hyogo*
21 *Framework for Action (HFA) until 2025;*

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23 *2. Emphasizes* the importance of States to identify successful disaster risk
24 reduction practices and to share these practices with the international community to help
25 further implement sustainable development and risk reduction practices within all States
26 at risk of potential disasters in order to raise awareness on the importance of disaster risk
27 reduction and push for an implementation of these policies to help reduce risk;

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29 *3. Endorses* actions to inform the public on proper disaster related information
30 and further create an environment that allows for greater access to appropriate disaster
31 related information by encouraging the development of quality disaster detection systems
32 and disaster warning systems at the local and State level;

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37 4. *Has resolved* that States prioritize for action as cited within the founding
38 resolution of HFA that has called upon the domestic prioritization of risk reduction
39 measures for the United Nations, individual States and other bodies to oversee potential
40 disasters and to act early in preparation for such; using skills, technology and experience
41 to ensure institutions of all types are prepared for and to handle potential disasters;
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43 5. *Encourages* the continuation of HFA in order to further advance work done to
44 reduce potential risks from ecological complications, environmental disasters, social
45 change, political instability and environmental factors;
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47 6. *Affirms* that HFA emphasizes that individual States have the ultimate control
48 over their development and institutionalization of disaster risk reduction practices;
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50 7. *Emphasizes* the organization of HFA around the priority of assistance for the
51 least developed nations and their need for economic, technological and educational
52 assistance to reduce disaster risks while also recognizing that information and resource
53 sharing benefits all States;
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55 8. *Encourages* States and organizations to implement practices like reviewing
56 disaster risk reduction programs and to share those that are successful with the global
57 community, identifying patterns of natural disasters and implementing procedures that
58 will help lessen their effects;
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60 9. *Recommends* that the Inter-Agency Task force create a database of best
61 practices in disaster response and make this available to local governments, NGOs
62 recognized by the United Nations and humanitarian agencies within Member States
63 governments, with an emphasis on:

64 (a) Crowd-sourcing insight and experiences from local government officials and
65 NGOs;

66 (b) Ensuring a bottom-up approach which supports national platforms and
67 regional coordination;
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69 10. *Declares* the need for the renewal of HFA until the year 2025 in order to
70 continue methodical and proven success in disaster risk reduction.

Passed by consensus, with 0 abstentions