



American Model United Nations
Economic and Social Council

ECOSOC/I/1

SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: United Nations Public-Private Alliance for Rural Development

SUBMITTED TO: The Economic and Social Council

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1 *Recognizing* the progress made under the United Nations Millenium Development Goals to eradicate poverty
2 especially in rural areas,

3 *Understanding that* some States are seriously in debt, which is a roadblock to advancing development in
4 rural areas,

5 *Reminding* Member States of the importance in making advancements in infrastructure in order to create
6 more prosperous States,

7 *Recognizing* that involving multi-national corporations (MNCs) in the development of rural areas is imper-
8 ative in reducing the trade deficits in developing economies,

9 1. *Requests* that sustainable infrastructure be created in rural areas that would:

10 (a) Allow for the creation of jobs;

11 (b) Employ citizens from the same geographic area as the location of the infrastructure project;

12 2. *Invites* private entities to work together with State governments in order to discuss ways to further
13 infrastructure projects wherein:

14 (a) The United Nations Public-Private Alliance for Rural Development (UNPPA) would exist as an
15 oversight body to guide States in their discussions in order to aviod corruption;

16 3. *Recommends* that States encourage interaction between non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and
17 MNCs for the purposes of advancing entrepreneurship and innovation at the localized level for in high-poverty risk
18 areas and:

19 (a) Encourages MNC's to work within the principles of corporate social responsibility contained in
20 the United Nations Global Compact;

21 (b) NGOs and MNCs are expected to create an educational process for the local populations which
22 would cover how to best perform the functions of the respective MNC for the betterment of development;

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24 would cover how to best perform the functions of the respective MNC for the betterment of development;

25 4. Encourages the UNPPA to endorse a plan to allow better market access as a way for helping States
26 improve development in rural areas and reduce poverty;

27 5. *Notes* that whenever possible, locally-based labor should be utilized;

28 6. *Urges* the fact that the construction of MNCs should not threaten agricultural development;

29 7. *Suggests* the implementation of a two-level system of oversight for the purposes of regulation, structured
30 as follows:

31 (a) Level-one would concern State governments in regulating MNCs to make sure the MNCs are
32 guided against corruption;

33 (b) Level-two would include oversight from the UNPPA and ask the organization to compile bi-
34 annual reports of MNCs in Member States to encourage transparency;

35 (i) Upon review of the bi-annual reports, ECOSOC and the UNPPA would encourage host countries
36 to report all MNCs that violate an level of transparency which can be considered, but not limited
37 to, corruption, human rights violations and failure to comply with sustainability procedures;

38 8. *Encourages* all States to adopt and implement these suggestions.

Passed, Yes: 14 / No: 10 / Abstain: 6