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American Model United Nations General Assembly Second Committee

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SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Agriculture development, food security and nutrition

SUBMITTED TO: The General Assembly Second Committee

The General Assembly Second Committee,

Recalling resolutions 68/233 of 21 February 2014 and 67/288 of 9 April 2013, regarding agriculture development and food security, and resolution 68/234 of 7 February 2014, regarding global partnerships between the United Nations and relevant partners,

Desiring to achieve food security for all people through sustainable agricultural development and cooperative international partnerships for economic development,

Noting with appreciation the concerns of the World Health Organization (WHO) regarding the quality of agricultural products intended for human consumption traded in the international market,

Believing that the trade of agricultural products of a quality suitable for human consumption is in the interests of all member states and can contribute to the pursuit of universal food security, adequate nutrition, and a healthy global economy,

Recognizing the role of international trade in making nutritionally diverse foods available to all people, especially small states with limited capacity to domestically produce agricultural products,

Further recognizing that international trade of agricultural products is fundamental for a robust world economy,

Confident that all Member States will approach quality standards on food products with good faith commitments,

- 1. Calls upon the United Nations Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO) and the WHO to collaboratively establish standards for the quality of agricultural products intended for human consumption traded in the international marketplace;
 - 2. Also calls upon the United Nations FAO to establish an inspection mechanism to evaluate the quality of such agricultural products through a random sampling process;
 - 3. Further calls upon the General Assembly Fifth Committee to establish a voluntary fund to finance the inspection mechanism within the United Nations FAO;
 - 4. *Invites* Member States with particular concerns regarding the quality of imported agricultural products intended for human consumption to request more regular inspections and to have special attention paid to imports into these nations;
 - 5. Approves the publication of a report to identify member states that export substandard agricultural products in accordance with the resulting standards set by the WHO and the United Nations FAO and do not seek aid in improving quality to meet the standards;
 - 6. Encourages member states to pursue partnerships with the United Nations FAO and other member states to craft domestic policy and institute good farming practices in order to meet the resulting standards set by the WHO and the United Nations FAO;
- 7. Supports the creation of a special commission to coordinate the efforts FAO and the WHO as well as the World Trade Organization in establishing standards and an implementation mechanism.

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