



*American Model United Nations*  
**United Nations Environment Assembly**

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SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Sound management of chemicals and waste

SUBMITTED TO: The United Nations Environment Assembly

*The United Nations Environment Assembly,*

1 *Affirming* the necessity of development in the management of chemicals and waste in order to halt the  
2 irreversible effects of climate change and pollution,

3 *Recognizing* the success of the Basel Convention and the European Union program Registration , Evaluation,  
4 Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH),

5 *Highlighting* the importance of the Cartagena Declaration on the Prevention, Minimization and Recovery of  
6 Hazardous Wastes and the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals,

7 *Mindful of the fact* that the Danube River Basin is imperative to several nations of the International Com-  
8 mission for the Protection of the Danube River (ICPDR) and the wider world,

9 1. *Seeks* to strengthen connections between world legislators and experts in the fields of environmental  
10 science waste and chemical management and water conservation;

11 2. *Calls upon* Member States who are the guardians of significant waterways to invest in waste and chemical  
12 management technology:

13 (a) Suggests the number of permanent staff of the Secretariat of the International Commission for  
14 the Protection of the Danube River be raised to a level that enables investigatory and research functions to commence  
15 and continue with heightened urgency;

16 (b) Encourages contributions from the Stockholm International Water Institute (SIWI) to aid in  
17 education and development of clean water technology in relation to waste management;

18 3. *Recommends* the number of permanent staff of the Secretariat of the International Commission for the  
19 Protection of the Danube River be raised to a level that enables investigatory and research functions to commence  
20 and continue with heightened urgency:

21 (a) For the development of a procedure for the Secretariat to refer acts of severe waterway pollution  
22 to national environmental law agencies for further investigation with the goal of ceasing the polluting activity;

23 (b) To establish a regional culture of environmental sustainability through outreach community  
24 engagement and coordination with educational institutions;

25 (c) Emphasizes the need for collective and concise action when protecting our shared earth;

26 4. *Establishes* a quadrennial conference for Clean Water Action and Chemical Management:

27 (a) Scheduled for 22 March 2020, lasting for four days and reuniting every four years on a date  
28 selected by majority at the inaugural conference;

29 (b) For the purpose of information sharing between world leaders, diplomats, scientists, non-governmental  
30 organizations and experts in the fields of water conservation and waste and chemical management;

31 (i) Creating literature specific to actions necessary to further the conservation efforts of world wa-  
32 terways;

33 (ii) Establishing timelines of execution for the newly formed innovations;

34 (c) Welcoming the input and participation of activists and citizens impacted most by the pollution  
35 of clean waterways by such factors;

- 36 (i) Developing strategies for protecting the world's water from poor management of chemicals and  
37 waste through activism and community participation;
- 38 (ii) Encouraging the provision of resources to developing nations to properly manage waste and  
39 dispose of chemicals in areas where risks associated with water pollution are high.

Passed, Yes: 47 / No: 4 / Abstain: 11