

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

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1 *Welcoming* the current efforts by the international community to balance the interests of industry with 2 environmental policy,

3 *Recognizing* the need for regional blocs to oversee industrial and chemical waste management, especially in 4 regard to the petroleum industry,

5 Acknowledging the need for a more sustainable industrial economic growth,

6 *Emphasizing* the importance of industrial and organic chemicals to all Member States of the United Nations,

1. Encourages the international community to create a standardized method to categorize and label plastic
 products:

- 9 (a) Stating whether such plastic products contain recyclable versus non-recyclable material, doing 10 this through colors as the indicator;
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(b) The indicator specifies the proper way of disposal that exclude burning to prevent air pollution;

12 2. Endorses the creation of regional bloc review boards to review industrial and chemical waste management:

(a) Which allow the review boards to make suggestions to individual Member States regarding their
 waste management and making it a priority to act on these suggestions;

(i) Review boards may create sub- committees charged with the job of inspecting natural gas,
 precious minerals and metals, oil and petroleum producing sites to ensure that these locations are
 producing sustainably and practicing proper waste management;

(b) Which meets every even year and conducts reviews every odd ending year;

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 - (c) Which such review boards are formed by geographic location;
- 20 (d) Which disperses the shared responsibility of sound chemical and waste management on countries 21 in a review bloc;
- (e) Further suggesting that review blocs cooperate with each other in order to support the clean up of oil spills en route to importing Member States;
- (i) Additionally, considers states affected by spillage to cooperate with these review blocs to initiate
 clean up;
- 3. Encouraging the international community to create a resource development department to create a more sustainable petroleum industry and propmote better waste managaement:

(a) Such department would support the creation of a fund to research issues such as: Oil efficiency
 in energy production, Oil contamination, Transportation, Storage, and Extraction;

- 30 (b) The research of this department will focus to promote a more efficient oil industry and environ-31 mentally friendly waste management solutions;
 - (c) Which helps developing economies to grow and make natural resources;
- 4. Reminds Member States that providing education for employees within the oil industry helps to ensure the maintenance and management of oil, natural gas, and petroleum producing sites to prevent oil spillage or accidents.

Passed, Yes: 35 / No: 12 / Abstain: 6