



American Model United Nations
United Nations Environment Assembly

UNEA/II/2

SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Protection of the environment in areas affected by armed conflict

SUBMITTED TO: The United Nations Environment Assembly

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1 *Understanding* that no action of the United Nations Environment Assembly can wholly eliminate the envi-
2 ronmental effects of armed conflicts,

3 *Respecting* that there are current legal frameworks in existence that are internationally agreed upon regarding
4 war,

5 *Affirming* that the current legal frameworks do not aptly protect the environment, particularly in the instance
6 of intrastate conflicts,

7 1. *Requests* that the International Law Commission perform an inventory of international law for protecting
8 the environment during wars, both civil and interstate;

9 2. *Further requests* the International Law Commission to put forth recommendations on how to clarify laws
10 that exist in regards to protection of the environment;

11 3. *Encourages* the establishment of a permanent UN body, the Commission on Protection of the Environment
12 during Armed Conflict (CPEAC), to monitor violations of these laws and recommend new legislation where needed;

13 4. *Advocates* for the strengthening of the roles of the International Court of Arbitration, to consider disputes
14 by both Member States and non-state entities related to environmental damage during armed conflicts.

Passed, Yes: 44 / No: 3 / Abstain: 5