



*American Model United Nations*  
**Economic Commission for Africa**

ECA/II/1

SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Enhancing the climate resilience of Africa's infrastructure

SUBMITTED TO: The Economic Commission for Africa

*The Economic Commission for Africa,*

1 *Reaffirming* this body's previous work on enhancing climate resilient infrastructure,

2 *Realizing* the detrimental effects climate change has already had on many African nations,

3 *Recognizing* the importance of transportation infrastructure to enhance trade, domestic economies, and  
4 general wellbeing,

5 *Further recognizing* the need for housing in areas of extreme poverty to facilitate the development of those  
6 neighborhoods,

7 *Remaining concerned* about the lack of roads and other such transportation mechanisms among African  
8 nations,

9 *Noting* the poor condition of already existing roads across the continent,

10 *Considering* the limitations of road, river, and air transport,

11 *Expressing deep concern* for the deficiency of financial services for housing development and other infras-  
12 tructure that lacks the ability to withstand climate change,

13 *Understanding* the need for other viable options for means of travelling, such as helicopters, airplanes, and  
14 other modes of air transport,

15 *Further noting* that air travel is necessary in the midst of emergency situations in order to provide prompt  
16 relief and evacuation to those affected,

17 *Affirming* that the role of protected and conserved areas as natural tools to address the negative effects of  
18 climate change,

19 1. *Suggests* the formation of a panel of experts, in which a proportional representation of individuals are  
20 gathered from each region of the African continent to further delve into the specific calamities affecting each respective  
21 region, including but not limited to finding:

22 (a) the most effective materials and resources;

23 (b) pathways to build climate resilient transport infrastructure;

24 2. *Recommends* the creation of an adjacent working group to the panel of experts, a panel of representatives,  
25 to be formed with vulnerable farmers and other such stakeholders, in order to represent all communities affected by  
26 this issue at hand;

27 3. *Welcomes* partnerships among Member States, their governments, and non-governmental organizations  
28 in order to optimize the use of resources already available, allowing for sustainable transport infrastructure to more  
29 easily be built and maintained within such coalitions;

30 4. *Emphasizes* the need for other forms of transport, including air and water travel, in the event of natural  
31 disasters brought about by climate change blockade and destroy road structures;

32 5. *Asks* the international community to recognize national and regional efforts of countries to improve the  
33 contribution of protected areas and other effective conservation strategies;

34 6. *Further emphasizes* that the Economic and Social Council implement mechanisms for foreign investment  
35 in African Countries who wish to enhance infrastructure, their respective economies, and green jobs markets;

36 7. *Further emphasizes* housing projects as a way to help modernize homes that are affected by environmental  
37 stressors exacerbated by climate change;

38 8. *Recommends* existing buildings be improved to withstand the effects of global climate change and natural  
39 disasters;

40 9. *Expresses its hope* for member states to cooperate with non-governmental organizations, form public-  
41 private partnerships and encourage foreign investment for housing projects to be implemented;

42 10. *Encourages* a focused development plan for housing in severely underdeveloped rural areas.

Passed, Yes: 21 / No: 0 / Abstain: 0