



American Model United Nations
General Assembly Second Committee

GA Second/1/2

SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Role of the United Nations in promoting development in the context of globalization and interdependence

SUBMITTED TO: The General Assembly Second Committee

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1 *Recognizing* that disparities in development exist due to asymmetrical policies and limited par-
2 ticipation from Member States,

3 *Guided by* the United Nations definition of developing countries as “a country with a relatively
4 low standard of living, undeveloped industrial base and moderate to low Human Development Index”,

5 *Noting* the United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 17, Sustainable Development Target
6 10.6 and 17.4 and the commitment of the United Nations 2030 Agenda to leave no one behind, com-
7 mitting to taking more tangible steps to support vulnerable populations, keeping in high importance
8 the most vulnerable resolution 70/1,

9 *Condemning* the monopolization of the global economy to the detriment of the less developed
10 countries,

11 *Discouraging* protectionist policies, while keeping in mind states’ sovereign rights to determine
12 such policies; especially through the use of regional trading blocks,

13 *Bearing in mind* the negative environmental impact of global trade, such as increased carbon
14 emissions due to long-distance transportation, and increased waste generation from packaging and
15 electronic waste between states,

16 *Emphasizing* the importance of state sovereignty under a world system guided by globalization
17 and interdependence,

18 *Appreciating* the role of free trade in promoting peace, stability and establishing developing
19 countries as valuable members of the global market,

20 *Noting with concern* post-colonial dependence and imposed economic structures by former
21 colonial powers, limiting development,

22 *Realizing* that economic practices focusing on the export of commodities instead of the devel-
23 opment of industry have limited the growth of developing countries,

24 *Desiring* the expansion and free trade of technological assistance to share technology between
25 developed and developing countries,

26 *Supporting* efforts to build a universal partnership for development to ensure that the benefits
27 of globalization are shared equitably,

28 1. *Calls to expand* trade with developing countries to bridge the economic gap between devel-
29 oping and developed countries, by pursuing the further development of free, open markets, especially
30 within developing and least developed countries and through decreasing trade barriers to ensure the
31 global market is open to all states;

32 2. *Urges* states and the World Trade Organization to analyze trade agreements and partner-
33 ships to ensure that such relationships are not exploitative, especially between global trading partners;

34 3. *Advises* the creation of a Global Development and Youth Partnership Platform to promote
35 technological transfer and increased resources and investment in the youth within developing and
36 least developed countries through online and offline avenues:

37 (a) *Promotes* online avenues hosted by both United Nations, domestic governments,
38 non-governmental organizations and corporations;

39 (b) *Promotes* offline avenues such as Regional Innovation Centers located in key devel-
40 oping country areas and technical training;

41 4. *Requests* the World Trade Organization to reinstate its Appellate Body to enforce fair and free
42 trade agreements between Member States.

Passed, Yes: 73 / No: 9 / Abstain: 7