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## American Model United Nations General Assembly Second Committee

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SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Protection of global climate for present and future gener-

ations of humankind

SUBMITTED TO: The General Assembly Second Committee

The General Assembly Second Committee,

Acknowledging recent reports expressing the need to triple climate finance to the Least Developed Countries and Small Island Developing States to over 1.3 trillion dollars by 2035 in order to reduce global warming to under two degrees Celsius,

Emphasizing the importance of sustainable water development as it causes on average a six percent loss in the gross domestic product for Asian and African States,

Deeply concerned about food scarcity as a consequence of these environmental impacts on crop growth and soil degradation and the broad impacts of malnourishment and hunger on workers and the economic output of nations,

Considering that water can be used as a source of economic improvement and can be further addressed in the Africa Water Investment Program,

Emphasizing the importance of sustainable water development as it causes on average a six percent loss in the gross domestic product for Asian and African States,

Aware of the importance of the agricultural sector for the income of the global south and how the protection of these practices must work in tandem with climate change development,

Recognizing the long-term economic harms caused by desertification, drought and other environmental impacts of climate change to the agricultural sector and risks of lost income to farmers dependent upon agriculture for their livelihoods,

- 1. Encourages the international community to collectively and gradually increase the global climate investment fund by \$300 billion by 2030 to be allocated for sustainable land use and agricultural practices to make global food systems sustainable as recommended by World Economic Form Report;
- 2. *Invites* the international community to rapidly increase climate finance for projects promoting sustainable land use and agricultural practices, such as:
  - (a) Conserving soil health;
  - (b) Crop rotations;
  - (c) Using water efficiently;
- (d) Further recommends that Member States, where applicable, augment sustainable land use by beginning to shift agricultural production away from water-intensive crops and towards drought-resistant, native crops, including;
- 3. Calls for the creation of education programs directed at farmers through the Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO) of the United Nations and United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) to promote sustainable agricultural practices amongst farmers and improve the incomes of low-income farmers in Least Developed Countries;
- 4. Requests Member States to provide funding for climate-resilient projects, following the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in the area of reforestation by funding sustainable land

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use organizations and tree planting initiatives to reduce the long-term economic harms of loss of agricultural land;

- 5. Urges Member States to elevate agroforestry in coordination with the United Nations Environment Programme by promoting incentives in relation to agroforestry and by attracting investors for the purpose of maintaining food security, protecting key agricultural industries and furthering incomes for all people;
- 6. Further recommends that Member States, where applicable, augment sustainable land use by beginning to shift agricultural production away from water-intensive crops and towards drought-resistant, native crops, including:
  - (a) Reforestation programs in former cash crop areas;
- 7. Welcomes Member States to work with the United Nations Development Programme and other water protection organizations to finance efforts to combat water pollution in rivers, lakes and coasts by funding initiatives for water clean-up and pollution prevention to protect fisheries and blue economies.

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