



American Model United Nations
General Assembly Second Committee

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SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Agricultural development, food security and nutrition

SUBMITTED TO: The General Assembly Second Committee

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1 *Reaffirming* the United Nations previous commitment to achieve sustainable development in its three di-
2 mensions economically, socially and environmentally in a balanced manner as addressed in the 2030 Agriculture
3 plan,

4 *Noting with concern* that climate change poses a threat to the agricultural sector of every nation,

5 *Observing* that reducing food waste reduces greenhouse gas emissions which contributes to climate change,
6 provides more food for those in poverty and increases agricultural productivity,

7 *Recognizing that* plant-based diets are a leading way to reduce emissions,

8 *Further recognizing* that one-third of the food produced globally is wasted,

9 *Having studied* that an increase in education regarding agriculture leads to an improvement in agricultural
10 operations,

11 *Realizing* that there is a diverse need for food among different cultures,

12 *Keeping in mind* the research contributed by the Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO) on the value
13 of genetically modified foods in developing and underdeveloped countries on feeding the impoverished communities,
14 closing nutrition gaps, increasing crop yields, fighting food disease and weather conditions,

15 1. *Expresses* the need for States to educate their population regarding:

16 (a) The importance of limiting food waste;

17 (b) How composting can limit food waste;

18 (c) Sustainable methods of agriculture;

19 (d) How plant-based diets can reduce emissions;

20 (e) The importance of the role of women in agriculture;

21 2. *Further recommends* the international community ratify the Paris Agreement and solidify its provisions ;

22 3. *Recommends* the promotion of small-hold or individual farmers to decrease food waste to give a more
23 accurate representation of the number of people that the food is being provided for;

24 4. *Invites* businesses and governments across the global economy to measure their food waste and create a
25 plan for distributing food, with support from the United Nations;

26 5. *Urges* governments and businesses to redirect food waste that is fit for consumption towards impoverished
27 communities or other uses that can positively impact their communities:

28 (a) Suggests States compost excess food that is found to be unfit for consumption;

29 6. *Encourages* the international community to consider expanding the use of genetically modified foods:

30 (a) *Further urges* States to support their small-scale farmers who wish to use genetically modified
31 seeds and protect them from litigation by large corporations.

Passed, Yes: 30 / No: 9 / Abstain: 5