

American Model United Nations United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization

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SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION:The Declaration of Ethical Principles in relation to Climate
ChangeSUBMITTED TO:The United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organi-
zation

The United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization,

1 *Recalling* the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development, 1992 specifically Principle One which 2 states that human beings are at the center of concerns for sustainable development and are entitled to a healthy and 3 productive life in harmony with nature,

4 *Reaffirming* Resolution 64/292 of the United Nations General Assembly guaranteeing the human right to 5 clean water,

6 *Emphasizing* the importance of financially accessible water supplies,

7 Guided by Sustainable Development Goal 6, ensuring access to water and sanitation for all,

8 Alarmed by the worsening state of water scarcity due to COVID-19, and noticing the increased need due 9 said pandemic disproportionately impacting developing countries,

10 Deeply concerned by the lack of clean water while taking note of the individual conditions and concerns of 11 each Member State,

12 1. *Encourages* collaboration with Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) such as Water.org, United 13 Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) and Charity Water to aid Member 14 States struggling with lack of access to clean water;

15 2. *Invites* Member States to help the implementation of filtration, water conveyance, and irrigation systems 16 through:

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(a) Voluntarily providing equipment and funds if they wish or through paid advisers and workers;

(b) The implementation of water conveyance and filtration systems that pump and filter water from
the rising seas and oceans into swallowing lakes and inland seas;

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(c) The utilization of water conveyance and filtration systems to improve upon irrigation systems;

3. *Requests* each Member State to set up designated emergency water storage areas once they are able;

4. *Further requests* that Member States with an abundance of clean water donate some to the Member States who need it the most;

5. *Calls* upon Member States to devise a national plan of action to help prepare for water sanitation issues which will be unique to each country based on what they feel is best suited to their individual needs with the guidelines of foundational principles such as water availability, cleanliness, and independence to allow for a sustainable long term plan;

6. *Encourages* Member States to support sanitation workers by opening up job opportunities within the workers' respective communities, ensuring that those in rural areas especially are able to get the same clean water needed;

31 7. *Recommends* Member States to revisit this framework biennially to ensure that it is effective.

Passed, Yes: 23 / No: 0 / Abstain: 1