



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 Change

SUBMITTED TO: The United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization

The United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization,

1 Guided by the United Nations Charter that urges for the maintenance of international peace and emphasizes
2 the right to sovereignty that each nation holds,

3 Guided further by the Sustainable Development Goals, which provide specific targets for states to reach in
4 climate change,

5 Reaffirming the Declaration of Ethical Principles in relation to Climate Change, which defines the principles
6 to guide states in the production of climate change policy,

7 Recognizing the importance of the collaborative efforts and work set in part by the United Nations Framework
8 Convention on Climate Change,

9 Reaffirming the 2016 Paris Agreement, which aims to limit the increase of global average temperature to
10 only 1.5 above pre-industrial levels,

11 Acknowledging the Kyoto Protocol enables each Member State to set and meet individual targets to reduce
12 greenhouse gas emissions,

13 Bearing in mind the disproportionate effects that climate change has on low-lying coastal areas, Small Island
14 Developing States (SIDS), developing countries, and countries in states of turmoil,

15 1. Reminds Member States of the moral obligation of reducing the impact of climate change to ensure safety
16 for the population of the world;

17 2. Calls upon Member States to sign and ratify the Paris Agreement in order to affirm commitment to
18 ensuring the safety of disproportionately affected areas;

19 3. Suggests each Member State identify nationally determined contributions (NDCs) within the Paris Agree-
20 ment and allow for states to reassess their NDCs and set individual goals to promote feasibility, while keeping in
21 mind the human impact of climate change;

22 4. Encourages Member States to meet bi-annually instead of every 5 years as originally agreed upon in the
23 Paris Agreement after 2023 to create urgency of the moral obligations to climate change and ensure strides to the
24 commitment of NDCs are being made;

25 5. Promotes the creation and implementation of the Clean Future Framework that provides development
26 assistance that:

27 (a) Makes it easier for nations to procure the resources for producing clean, sustainable and renewable
28 energy;

29 (b) Encourages the provision of funding from the Green Climate Fund with the direct intention to
30 be used to incentivise sustainable, clean and renewable energy development as well as sustainable infrastructural
31 development;

32 (c) Further encourages nations to take the necessary steps to help energy and utility companies,
33 transition from the use of fossil fuel based energy production to renewable, sustainable and clean energy production;

34 (d) Contributes to the eradication of poverty by providing sustainable jobs for nations' populations
35 in the energy and infrastructural sector;

36 (e) Suggests that Member States meet annually to discuss challenges they face regarding their NDCs
37 and the progress made on the Clean Future Framework;
38 6. *Calls upon* Member States to implement the Clean Future Framework through collaborative and cohesive
39 efforts.

Passed, Yes: 20 / No: 1 / Abstain: 0