

SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Strengthening International Economic Cooperation for
Development Through Partnership

SUBMITTED TO: The General Assembly

SUBMITTED BY: The Second Committee

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1 *Recognizing* the need for a closing of global technological gaps, such as the digital divide
2 between the developing and developed member states to increase the effectiveness of
3 partnerships for economic development,

4 *Aware* that two of the technological gaps that exists are information communication technology
5 (ICT) and the medical technology gap,

6 *Acknowledging* that the global technological gap is increasingly growing between north-south
7 Member-States and that all countries should commit themselves to decreasing and eventually
8 eliminating this gap,

9 *Deeply concerned* with the lack of sharing medical information between developed and
10 developing countries on medical issues such as the HIV/AIDS crisis,

11 *Emphasizing* the role of advanced technologies in integrating countries into the global economy
12 and increasing prosperity,

13 1. *Respectfully requests* the technical support of developed countries in improving
14 technological flow to developing countries;

15 2. *Further requests* that the transfer of bilateral and multilateral information be undertaken
16 by existing partnerships, as well as all other member states;

17 3. *Invites* the further sharing of medical information to developing countries to alleviate
18 problems caused by endemic diseases endangering the lives of peoples specifically in
19 developing countries;

20 4. *Respects* the need and support of patent and copyright laws while promoting the transfer
21 of technology to developing countries;

- 22 5. *Affirms* its support for technology transfer through:
- 23 a. Cooperative partnerships between corporations possessing high technology and
24 corporations of developing countries, where the high technology corporations
25 invest capital in the developing country,
- 26 b. Voluntary usage agreements for patents and copyrights at reduced rates to
27 corporations of developing countries;
- 28 6. *Encourages* the Commission on Science and Technology for Development to oversee and
29 monitor the progress of technological advances in the aim to decrease the digital divide
30 between north-south Member-States;
- 31 7. *Declares* its support for investments in ICT infrastructure in developing countries with
32 respect to access to electricity and networks;
- 33 8. *Requests* the creation of training programs to further develop human capital in
34 developing countries.

Final Vote: 64 in favor / 7 opposed / 22 abstentions