



*American Model United Nations*  
**General Assembly Plenary (Concurrent)**

GA Plen/I/6

SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Oceans and law of the sea

SUBMITTED TO: The General Assembly Plenary (Concurrent)

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1 *Emphasizing* the importance of oceanic trade routes to the international community and global economy,

2 *Acknowledging* the multiple nations who lay claims to the ownership of sea territories around the world,

3 *Seeing* the inherent dangers of a conflict between maritime nations,

4 *Perceiving* the disjointed communication between disputing countries,

5 *Commending* the improved communications between Vietnam and China through their hotline system, which  
6 is an open alert system used by both nations in the event that either nation extends their nautical claims,

7 *Forwarding* our attention to the impressive work in the Resolution of Fishing and Conservation of the Living  
8 Resources of the High Seas,

9 *Affirming* the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea Treaty as the supreme governing body for  
10 sea law,

11 *Viewing* the current growth in man-made islands,

12 *Calling* attention to the potential hotbed in the Arctic Circle,

13 1. *Requests* the creation of bloc hotlines that connect all nations interested in keeping up decisive commu-  
14 nication in the event that either nation oversteps their nautical claims;

15 2. *Recommends* the creation of patrol organizations for each interested nation to be used to monitor the  
16 possibility of fellow bloc nations overstepping their nautical claims;

17 3. *Requests* that Member States who agree to the hotline supply their patrol organizations with the proper  
18 nautical supplies, such as patrol ships and outposts to keep their areas well patrolled;

19 4. *Hopes* that properties associated with each patrol organization be supplied with the proper flags to signify  
20 their nationality;

21 5. *Recommends* that patrol vessels allow for the safe passage of all legal trade;

22 6. *Desires* that at any time any two nations interested in opening decisive communication can enter into a  
23 twelve month correspondence in which they must create agreeable conclusions on all of their sea territory grievances  
24 by the end of the twelve months;

25 7. *Requests* that a regional body of five members be established for the two disputing nations to make final  
26 decisions in the event that one or both of the nations do not feel that they reached their goals by the end of the  
27 twelve month period;

28 8. *Hopes* that the committee members will be established as such:

29 (a) One representative for each nation;

30 (b) One representative decided by the two nations, in the event that the nations do not decide on a  
31 representative within three months the representative will be decided by the Secretary General;

32 (c) One representative decided by the Tribunal of the Law of the Sea;

33 (d) One representative decided by the President of the International Court of Justice;

34 9. *Invites* that formal communications be held at Geneva, Switzerland;

35 10. *Recommends* that each member of the committee has equal vote on all of the grievances the two nations  
36 decided upon;

37 11. *Desires* that a simple majority vote is necessary to make final decisions;

38 12. *Wishes* that all decisions decided by the committee are recognized by the United Nations;

39 13. *Asks* that, in the event that the five member committee does not come to a conclusion on any one of  
40 the proposed topic(s), the topic(s) in question will be brought to the Security Council for evaluation;

41 14. *Requests* that once all nautical claims are created, countries in ownership of man-made islands outside  
42 their jurisdiction must either buy the land from its rightful nautical owner or surrender it;

43 15. *Invites* nations to use open communication in order to determine the cost for their man-made islands;

44 16. *Recommends* that all future man-made islands only be developed if contained within, but not exceeding,  
45 95% of the nations' Exclusive Economic Zone;

46 17. *Urges* continued and improved multilateral efforts via regional blocs for maintenance of sub-oceanic  
47 communication lines to promote further unification of friendly nations;

48 18. *Requests* that all geo-engineering, scientific research, drilling, and other economic or scientific activities  
49 in the Arctic Circle be conducted through joint partnership of the Arctic Council under the environmental watch of  
50 the Environmental Programme for the next five years;

51 19. *Recommends* that after five years this delegation meet again to determine the effectiveness of that  
52 partnership and decide where to proceed from there;

53 20. *Affirms* that melting ice caps in the Arctic can and should be used for new trade routes;

54 21. *Recommends* that Member States consider the creation of regional cooperatives based around shared  
55 bodies of water to:

56 (a) Aid in the mediation of disputes regarding conflicting territorial claims to the seas in an advisory  
57 position;

58 (b) Negotiate actions to curb pollution and over-fishing in shared waters, to be agreed upon by the  
59 majority of affected nations;

60 (c) Establish information sharing networks to help disseminate information regarding matters im-  
61 pacting all nations sharing the body of water, such as natural disasters.

Passed, Yes: 74 / No: 14 / Abstain: 13