



American Model United Nations
Economic and Social Council

ECOSOC/I/2

SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Strategies for eradicating poverty to achieve sustainable development for all

SUBMITTED TO: The Economic and Social Council

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1 *Acknowledging* that eradicating poverty to achieve sustainable development for all Member States is imper-
2 ative,

3 *Considering* Sustainable Development Goal one on poverty eradication, SDG nine on sustainable develop-
4 ment, and SDG 11 on sustainable communities, with awareness and understanding that these can lead to the success
5 of all the Sustainable Development Goals,

6 *Reiterating* the need to help the Global South grow to be socially and economically self-sustaining,

7 *Bearing in mind* that action can, and should be taken to further the self-sustainability through the devel-
8 opment of the countries that are in need, with a focus on the local community level,

9 *Recognizing* that the Sustainable Development Goals will not reach enough people in the time allotted and
10 understanding that each of these issues is critical for the continued growth of not only social and economic health of
11 the Global South, but also for the Member States that continue to assist these states,

12 1. *Appeals* to the body to support the creation of a new way to address the ongoing issues of sustainability;

13 2. *Urges* the Member States to join together to create the Intercontinental Investment Fund (IIF) including
14 the implementation of the creation of small-to-midsize businesses and entrepreneurial funding that will also fund
15 existing United Nations development and education efforts, with the following goals:

16 (a) The protection of the ownership of natural resources;

17 (b) Not withdrawing more than 5% of the business owners' net profits;

18 (c) That willing Member States invest 0.1% in proportion to each country's GDP to the IIF;

19 (d) For the acceptance of applications from the individual person or business to create entrepreneur-
20 ship which benefits not only the country, but also the local communities down to the individual level through
21 sustainable, local employment;

22 (e) Would recommend the creation of an independent board of United Nations financial advisers
23 as well as rotating representatives from members of local communities being invested in with equal voting rights to
24 ensure all local interests are accounted for;

25 (i) The United Nations to keep accountable the finances allocated by the IIF through creating a
26 regulatory framework including regular check-ins to ensure business practices are being followed as
27 well as sustainable growth and welfare of the employees;

28 (f) Requests support for the ongoing efforts by apportioning any equity gains from the IIF to existing
29 United Nations aid funding methods including the United Nations Human Settlement Fund (UNHSF), United Nations
30 Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization's (UNESCO) educational initiatives and the International Fund
31 for Agricultural Development (IFAD);

32 (i) These efforts will be supported with an emphasis on the education of women, UNHSF's efforts
33 towards sustainable urban development, and IFAD's gender equality efforts;

34 3. *Advises* emphasis on the subjects of:

35 (a) Sexual education;

- 36 (b) Education for women;
- 37 (c) Meeting the minimum requirements for SDG four, which includes quality education and promotes
- 38 lifelong learning opportunities for all;
- 39 (d) With respect to Member States' own values and United Nations standards;
- 40 (i) While reviewing the effectiveness of this program by the Economic and Social Council and IIF
- 41 Board every 10 years, and taking any appropriate actions to reform the program if the reviewers see
- 42 fit.

Passed, Yes: 15 / No: 13 / Abstain: 8