



*American Model United Nations*  
**Economic and Social Council**

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SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Empowering people and ensuring inclusiveness and equality

SUBMITTED TO: The Economic and Social Council

*The Economic and Social Council,*

1 *Guided by* the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, the Addis Ababa Action Agenda of  
2 the Third International Conference on Financing for Development and the Paris Agreement (2015),

3 *Recognizing* the increasing global disparities exacerbated by climate change, including limited  
4 access to technology, healthcare and education,,

5 *Acknowledging* the importance of highlighting minority voices on policy development on the  
6 issue of climate change,,

7 *Further acknowledging* the disproportionality in climate change effects, which primarily harms  
8 the global south and the developing Member States,

9 *Deeply concerned* with those who are affected by disasters caused by climate change,

10 *Desiring* the development and implementation of national adaptation plans supported by the  
11 United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC),

12 *Further recognizing* the urgent need to address climate change and the importance of inclusive  
13 development that ensures access to social service, opportunities and equal rights for all individuals  
14 while promoting environmental sustainability and resilience to the climate impact,

15 *Emphasizing* the importance of international cooperation and solidarity in promoting sustain-  
16 able development and climate resilience,

17 *Highlighting* the negative effects of climate change on less developed Member States that are  
18 heavily dependent on the agricultural sector,

19 *Bearing in mind* the commitments of the Paris Agreement (2015) under the UNFCCC,

20 *Further recognizing* the importance of empowering communities and reinforcing commitments  
21 to Sustainable Development Goals 10, 15 and 16, especially when reducing inequality and promoting  
22 sustainable development,

23 1. *Recommends* the UNFCCC to create a sub-committee entitled the "Regional Support Forums  
24 for Climate Resilience" (RSFCR), which is intended to provide a forum for less developed Member States  
25 experiencing severe climate impacts to freely discuss their concerns and potential solutions within the  
26 following framework and conditions:

27 (a) It operates as subsidiaries of the Economic and Social Council, meeting twice an-  
28 nually during the council's session and permitting additional ad-hoc meetings in response to urgent  
29 climate crises;

30 (b) Membership includes representatives from affected countries, regional experts and  
31 stakeholders from private and public sectors, ensuring equitable participation by women, youth and  
32 indigenous peoples;

33 2. *Calls upon* all Member States to integrate climate mitigation and adaptation measures into  
34 national policies with a focus on the most vulnerable and marginalized communities;

35 3. *Affirms* that the UNFCCC, as needed, may also create local committees that confront specific  
36 concerns that affect fixed areas and groups delegated on an individual basis, thus recommending that  
37 Member States in these local forums of the UNFCCC reflect the concerns of the people it represents,  
38 paying particular attention to the concerns of women, youth and indigenous peoples;

39 4. *Further encourages* the establishment of funding and support for the transition to net-zero  
40 emissions, climate-resilient economies and prioritizing investment in sustainable infrastructure, re-  
41 newable energy and low carbon technology;

42 5. *Urges* Member States to provide support to those affected by climate-related disasters such  
43 as floods, droughts and inclement weather by:

44 (a) Providing food, medical aid, knowledge sharing, debt release and financial support  
45 for countries who have experienced climate-related disasters;

46 (b) Supporting the United Nations Central Emergency to help fund responses to rising  
47 disasters;

48 (c) Encouraging the United Nations Environment Programme to continue to address  
49 climate-related issues by helping them adapt and reduce emissions in order to reduce the number of  
50 individuals who are negatively impacted by climate change;

51 6. *Requests* all Member States make an effort to assist poorer communities that are dependent  
52 on agricultural practices to develop sustainable, climate-smart farming practices through govern-  
53 ment and community initiatives;

54 7. *Calls upon* Member States to ensure that policy implementations will be in the best interest  
55 of those most in need;

56 8. *Further calls upon* all Member States to send developmental aid to countries directly affected  
57 by climate change;

58 9. *Urges* Member States to incorporate biodiversity protections into policy objectives that sup-  
59 port local economies, advance sustainable agriculture and improve food security, particularly in rural  
60 areas;

61 10. *Calls upon* all Member States to incorporate climate resilience strategies into national de-  
62 velopment plans as well as guarantee that climate adaptation and mitigation measures are inclusive  
63 and equitable;

64 11. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report annually on the progress and outcomes of the  
65 Climate Resilience through Regional Cooperation to the Economic and Social Council.

Passed, Yes: 34 / No: 5 / Abstain: 4