

 **Resolution Economic and Social Council/2.1**

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**Topic: UN forum on Forests**

The Committee,

Recalling resolution 2000/35, which focuses on forest addressing sustainability,

Noting with approval the past efforts by nations and Non-governmental organizations to sustain forests,

Observing that the world is facing a great challenge of balancing economic growth with forest sustainability,

Transmitting the fact that in the past 20 years it has been proven that locally controlled forests positively contribute to a more sustainable environment,

Reaffirming member states of their commitment the sustainable development goals specifically number 15,

Deeply concerned that we deforest 4 billion trees for paper and other materials every year around the world,

1. Calls upon member states to consider showing their commitment and passion to the United Nations Forum on Forest;
2. Encourages member states to permit sections of forests to be locally controlled;
3. Implores member states to support small businesses in rural areas and to provide materials in the interest of reducing deforestation;
4. Recommends that nations work together to create a system of tracking illegal loggers on local soil;
5. Urges all member states to increase its forested areas by 3% by 2030;
6. Suggests that nations fund programs that educate people about the importance of forest, so forests are protected;
7. Suggests that build programs to collect the wood from collapsed buildings and other wood products and reuse it;
8. Encourages member states to replant 2 or more trees for every tree cut down, whether illegally or legally;
9. Asks that member states incentivize paper companies make paper out of alternate materials to help conserve the number of trees;
10. Encourages more nations to balance the production of paper trees being planted;
11. Recommends designated growth in logging areas cycled every 30 years, giving the trees enough time to grow back.