

### Resolution GA/2/2.1

# **General Assembly Second Committee**

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Topic: Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa

Recognizing that many countries don't prepare for long-term drought/desertification,

Bearing in mind how much energy is used every year,

Noting with deep concern about the lack of clean and accessible water,

Alarmed by the amount of land that is lost to desertification,

Encourages every country to use efficient irrigation systems to economize water,

Welcoming trees to stop land degradation,

Considering that desertification spreads rapidly,

## Sustainable Energy

- 1. Commits to proactively investing in treatments to prevent land degradation;
- 2. Affirms more agroforestry to stop desertification;
- 3. Encourages the use of solar energy;

#### Food and Water

- 4. Invites countries to repair irrigation systems or place new ones;
- 5. Strongly encourages planting non-invasive plants that need less water;
- 6. Requests that communities create funds for sustainable infrastructure;
- 7. Supports countries that are building healthy non-perishable food and water storages;
- 8. Expresses its appreciation towards those countries that are making an effort to combat desertification;

### More Life on Land

- 9. Calls upon people to plant vegetation;
- 10. Encourages people to plant trees in areas impacted by desertification;
- 11. Further requests that farmers find better ways to plant crops, such as agroforestry;
- 12. Requests that botanists look into planting trees with little to no water;

### Raising Funds and Awareness of Desertification

- 13. Calls upon member states to make education programs for planting more vegetation,
- 14. Calls upon education programs on desertification for people, especially the youth;
- 15. Encourages a committee that focuses on desertification and proposes solutions for the countries;
- 16. Strongly recommends education systems to raise awareness to combat desertification;
- 17. Calls for communities with heavily forested land to plant new trees.