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Topic: Guidance on the Use of Agricultural Plastics

Alarmed by how consumers are harmed by microplastics from product intake,

Concerned by the amount of single-use plastics used,

Deeply disturbed by the dominance of plastics over alternative materials,

Taking into consideration the reliance and the reluctance to transition to alternative materials,

Disturbed by the hazards caused by the misuse and mismanagement of microplastics,

Disturbed by the lack of funding for campaigns focused on the use of plastics,

Recognizing the impact of plastics on climate change, the contamination of soils and waterways and biodiversity,

Deeply concerned by the lack of attention to agricultural practices,

Alarmed by 12.5 million tons of wasted plastic annually,

Emphasizing the effect of microplastics on farmland,

Alarmed by the absence of educational organizations in the agricultural plastic organization,

Noting with regret the lack of awareness that farmers have of agricultural plastic waste management,

Emphasizing that microplastics have been ingested by millions of marine animals,

Deeply conscious of the long-lasting effects of plastics on our atmosphere and biosphere,

Taking into account that burning plastics can leave a carbon footprint that harms the Earth and crops,

Awareness of Alternative Materials

1. Emphasizes the use of biodegradable materials to protect consumers' health;
2. Encourages adopting the 6R model to decrease plastic waste in agriculture;
3. Draws attention to the dangers of consuming non-biodegradable plastics;
4. Suggests educating farmers about the risks of using plastics and directing them toward using sustainable resources;
5. Requests government funding for better waste management systems in infrastructures;
6. Calls for alternatives to plastics such as metals and wood, to reduce pollution;

Solutions to Plastic Waste

7. Supports the idea of developing advanced recycling technologies to benefit environmental growth by producing fertilizers;
8. Calls for the enforcement of disposal regulations;
9. Strongly recommends sustainable farming practices;
10. Calls upon governments to strictly implement existing policies of APW disposal or legislative rules and fines to violators;
11. Calls to limit the distribution of single-use plastics;
12. Encourages an international fund for farmers with the intent to adopt alternatives to plastics;

Pollution

13. Recommends the use of eco-friendly materials like corn-based plastics during production;
14. Encourages locals to properly recycle plastic waste to reduce the effects on agricultural practices;

Awareness of Correct Plastic Management and Using

15. Suggests that criminal community hours be redirected to properly disposing of plastic;
16. Encourages funding through the United Nations for plastics orientation campaigns;
17. Suggests plastic management education in schools;
18. Introduces upcycled plastics to be used as a form of self-expression;

19. Further invites the idea of implementing organizations that educate locals on plastic-free lifestyles;
20. Calls upon governments to implement policies against agricultural plastic.