COMMITTEE: The Environmental Committee

QUESTION: Ensuring access to clean water in Sub-Saharan Africa

MAIN SUBMITTER: Sudan

CO-SUBMITTERS: Singapore, Malaysia

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

***Recognizing*** the past efforts of nongovernmental organizations and various UN bodies,

***Reminding*** the United Nations of its main focus towards the Millennium Development Goals in providing the access of clean water to those in need,

***Deeply concerned*** that Sub-Saharan Africa has just 61% water coverage and can’t reach the 75% target set for the region,

***Alarmed*** that 1 in 8 people worldwide do not have access to safe drinking water.

1. ***Encourages*** worldwide the awareness of this clean water and the situation in countries suffering from the scarcity of clean water by:
2. Emphasizing examples of this issue through the media of countries not affected by this issue,
3. Setting up a certain number of charitable organizations overseas,
4. Promoting the education of the youth worldwide regarding water scarcity;
5. ***Requests***the aid of the United Nations and NGOs in developing suitable and efficient methods to provide the population of Sub Saharan Africa with clean water through means such as but not limited to:
6. The funding from NGOs or other countries required for the research of new development strategies by,
7. The presence of UN officials to advise and supervise these methods;
8. ***Calls upon*** the support of the United Nations for the education of the people in Sub Saharan Africa in obtaining temporary sources of clean water such as but not limited to:
9. The education of the people living in Sub Saharan Africa of water purification techniques such as: filtering, boiling, using purifying tablets,
10. The employment of experts in the field of water scarcity to carry this out,
11. Requesting the support of volunteers internationally to either provide donations to fund the development of clean water solutions (as stated in Clause 2) or to support the education of the people affected by this issue;
12. ***Further requests*** the provision of clean water from neighboring countries as a temporary solution until a method of obtaining clean water in these countries are found;
13. ***Recommends***that nations employ experts in the field of water scarcity to:
    1. Analyze the situation in Sub-Saharan Africa regarding water scarcity,
    2. Identify potential sources of accessible water,
    3. Supervise the research and development of efficient water extraction techniques.