KENTUCKY UNITED NATIONS ASSEMBLY OFFICIAL PROPOSAL

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Country: Liberia

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Title: An act to construct a desalination plant in Liberia to create more potable water and decrease waterborne illnesses.

BE IT HEREBY ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED NATIONS

Justification Clause:

Every year approximately 3.4 million people die due to unsanitary and impure water. The controversy over water sanitation in Liberia has created a situation where there is insufficient clean drinking water for the population. The construction of a desalination plant in Liberia will create more potable water. This means that the death rates, which reach 4,500 kids under the age of five, due to waterborne illness will decrease and the entire west coast of Africa will benefit. When discussing the basic necessities of life water is one of the most important needs of the human body. The addition of a desalination plant will create a healthier lifestyle for people in Liberia. The construction of a desalination plant will also help with the skyrocketing unemployment rate.

Section I: Every day Liberia uses 66 gallons of water. The desalination plant will produce 100,000 gallons a day, which would result in at least 1.3 billion gallons of water each year. By these calculations, the population of Liberia would have an adequate clean water supply for its population.

Section II: 83% of Liberia's population is currently unemployed. The desalination plant would create an estimated 2,500 jobs in the construction phase and additional permanent jobs to run it.

Section III: Almost every known water source is infested with insects that carry Malaria. If there is a desalination plant, it will filter water so it is potable and would reduce the amount of waterborne illness.

Section IV: Liberia has no underground plumbing. The citizens defecate on the beach which poses additional risk factors to water sources in the area. A desalination plant would reduce the risk of waterborne illness by increasing the amount of clean water available to the population.

Section V: A desalination plant will convert the coastal waters of Liberia to fresh clean potable water.