KENTUCKY UNITED NATIONS ASSEMBLY OFFICIAL PROPOSAL

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Title: An act to reduce the usage of land mines throughout rural areas worldwide.

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

Justification Clause: On a yearly basis, land mines kill an average of 15-20,000 people and injure countless more in numerous countries around the world. Many of the mine fields are the remains of past conflicts, yet they are still used today as an act of terrorism towards controlling local civilians in an estimated 70 countries worldwide. The small size and attractive color draws children's attention into picking the mines up, causing detonation.

Section I: The cost to deactivate and remove the land mines range from 300-1000 United States dollars. Each member state of the United Nations provides voluntary contributions towards the UN's budget. The overall budget in U.S. dollars is 5 billion. Twenty percent of this budget would be used for the removal and deactivation project.

Section II: The numbers of mines in the world today are estimated to be in the millions. The removal project will take between five and ten years, with the combined cooperation and assistance of UN officials and local government-contracted workers.

Section III: Countries containing mine fields will be required to contribute financial aid as well as government contracted workers to assist in removal. If land mines are found in a nation, or the territory of that nation, after the deadline listed below, that nation will be required to pay a fee per land mine of \$500,000 equal to their currency. If there is a second offense, they will be required to pay a \$1 million fee per land mine.

Section IV: This project will begin in 2015. With a combined worldwide effort, de-mining will be completed between 2021 and 2025. After this project, no active mines will be in existence, and any country that violates this act will be subject to the punishments listed above.