## KENTUCKY UNITED NATIONS ASSEMBLY OFFICIAL PROPOSAL

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Assignment:



Country: Norway

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Title: A proposal to create effective investment promotion into the 'Government Pension Fund -- Global' of Norway.

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

Justification Clause: "The Government Pension Fund-Global" is an existing fund into which the surplus wealth produced by Norwegian petroleum income is deposited. As of the valuation in June 2011, it was the largest pension fund in the World, estimated to reach a worth of about 717 billion U.S.dollars in 2014, thus holding one percent of global equity markets. Though not actually a pension fund, for it derives from global investments into the backing of oil profits, it is said to be the largest stock holder in Europe. The goal of the fund is to secure the immense surplus capital produced by the Norwegian petroleum sector into a fund that would be further grown by outside investments in order to achieve financial security for companies across the globe.

Section I: Global Impact - The fund has a broadly based portfolio of securities from many countries and takes a long-term perspective on investment. The objective is to achieve the maximum possible yield at a moderate level of risk, ensuring that future generations around the globe gain the greatest possible benefit from petroleum wealth reveling in a stable world market. The fund's portfolio consists of investments from about 8,000 companies.

Section II: Global Market Stability - Due to the fund's base of excess petroleum revenue and long-term view on benefitting the future generation, the fund never needs to sell its shares in times of market instability or oil crises, making it a viable and stable source for global investments. Norway, not being a member of the European Union, has limited ability to promote this fund currently.

Section III: Ethical Impact - The fund is not a Norwegian foreign policy instrument not is it used to advance political or strategic motives for Norway, as described in its investment strategy. The fund has received a high score on a ranking concerning openness and responsibility of government funds by the Peterson Institute for International Economics. Ethical guidelines for the fund have been drawn in reference to the best interest of the globe, For example, the fund may not invest in or sustain investments from companies involved in the production of nuclear or biochemical weapons, landmines, cluster munitions, or serious violations of human rights or severe environmental damage.

Section IV: The goal of this proposal is to establish an effective mean of investment promotion through the United Nations Investments Committee, established by GA Resolution 155(II), in order to provide all participating nations within the UN with the opportunity to invest into the fund. The nation of Norway believes that an increased number of global investors would further market stability and financial wealth for future generations, and therefore encourages the participation of various nations. The initiative of this proposal is to secure the viability of the global financial market of the world in the midst of recent turmoil in various countries.

Section V: Any unmentioned logistics regarding UN procedure into introducing the fund would be left to the decision of the majority of the General Assembly of the United Nations. This proposal should be implemented within 5 fiscal years after passage.