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## Proposal # 30

Proposed by New Zealand

**Action on Proposal** 

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An act to promote accountability for disproportionate military spending by the permanent Security Council members and to combat world hunger.

## Be it hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the United Nations

Justification Clause: The 5 permanent members of the United Nations Security Council (United States, United Kingdom, France, Russia and China) are 5 of the 6 nations with the highest military budgets in the world, accounting for over US \$1 trillion in 2012. These rich, powerful states are entrusted with the task of keeping the peace among the nations of the world, yet these states maintain standing armies worth billions of dollars and pour resources into anti and pro-insurgency warfare as well as nuclear programs. According to the UN Food and Agriculture Administration, world hunger could be eradicated with as little as US \$30 billion per year. This figure is approximately 4.3 percent of the annual military budget of the United States alone, and approximately 2.8 percent of the combined military budgets of the permanent Security Council members.

Section 1: Each of the 5 permanent Security Council member nations shall concede to the UN a tax proportional to its military budget, with the sum for all 5 nations to equal US \$30 billion. Section 2: The United Nations World Hunger Elimination Fund (WHEF) shall be established to process, distribute, and oversee the management of this capital. A panel of 5 directors shall be appointed from the permanent Security Council nations by the Secretary–General to lead the WHEF. The directors may then appoint up to 25 full-time and 75 part-time officers tasked with overseeing the distribution of funds to impoverished nations.

Section 3: "Impoverished nation" shall be defined a any nation with a Global Hunger Index (GHI) above 10. Funds shall be distributed proportionally to GHI. Funds shall be used strictly for promotion of sustainable food and water, including, but not limited to: education of farmers and health workers, irrigation, research on new food technology, water treatment, and farming equipment and supplies.

Section 4: WHEF officers shall see that funds are used appropriately by beneficiary nations. If any nation is found to have used funds inappropriately, its funding shall immediately be suspended, and it shall receive a three-year probation from WHEF benefits.

Section 5: The 5 permanent Security Council member nations shall not be permitted to opt out of their funding quotas. Should one nation refuse to contribute, it shall immediately be subject to trade sanctions per UN policy for violating international law. Any beneficiary nation that chooses to trade with the violating nation shall be suspended from benefits in the same manner as in Section 4.

Section 6: All funds for the upkeep of WHEF (salaries, travel, maintenance, etc.) shall be provided by the taxes on the permanent Security Council members.

Section 7: This proposal shall take effect two years after passage.