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Proposal # 36

Proposed by Panama

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Action on Proposal

City: LaGrange ____ Defeated

An act to acquire Patent # 20090177569 from Intellectual Ventures.

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

Justification Clause: No continent represented in this union has been left unaffected by a tropical storm. Tropical storms in the form of Hurricanes, Cyclones, and Typhoons affect millions of human lives every year through death and monetary loss. The most powerful of tropical storms can inflict damages in the billions of US dollars and cause casualties in the thousands. For entire countries devastated, tropical storms can inflict massive economic damages, which can affect global prices.

Section I: The patent also known as "Hurricane Killers" is a hurricane dissipation project patented by Intellectual Ventures, a patent holding subsidiary company of the Microsoft Corporation. Intellectual Ventures' purpose is to license patents they hold out to companies to produce themselves. The "Hurricane Killer" project itself is the creation of a device that uses the cold temperature of sea water farther under the ocean to essentially "kill" or dissipate a Hurricane's strength. Hurricanes increase their strength with warm water, and by decreasing the surface temperature of the ocean by as little as 4.5 degrees (not enough to disturb wildlife) a hurricane can be effectively destroyed.

Section II: Once the patent is acquired, the development and subsequent implementation of said technology will begin, supervised by an advisory council containing members from each contributing country. Scientists to develop prototypes of the technology will make bids to be put on the project based on merit and price. Manufacturers will also make price and facility bids to secure the rights to build the technology.

Section III: Funding for this proposal will fluctuate based on manufacturing price quotes, developmental costs, and the delivery of said technology. Contribution of this project will be fully voluntary by member countries. Prices for each individual country will differ and will be a percentage based upon their GDP out of the collective countries combined GDPs.

Section IV: By contributing to the funding of the project, member countries will have full access to manufactured "Hurricane Killers" to be deployed out in front of tropical storms. If a country doesn't contribute to the project, they will not be given access to the "Hurricane Killers".

Section V: This proposal will go into effect immediately after passage.