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Proposal #39

Proposed by Rwanda

Action on Proposal

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An act to ensure clean water and water conservation in the industrial sector

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

JUSTIFICATION CLAUSE: We live in a world where these are facts:

- Nearly one billion people in the world are water insecure
- Diarrhea is the second leading cause of child death in the world today and the top cause of child mortality in sub-Saharan Africa. This is cause largely by dirty drinking water.
- Clean water is one aspect of improving sustainable food production in order to reduce poverty and hunter.
- By 2025, the proportion of the world's population living in water insecure countries is set to increase by two thirds.
- Every \$1 spent on water sanitation generates \$8 as a result of saved time, increased productivity and reduced health care costs.

Because of these facts, we feel that it is imperative that the UN take action to address the water concerns of nearly 2/3rd of the world population.

SECTION I: The United Nations will establish water as a basic human right as part of a international treaty to ensure countries take every possible step to provide clean drinking water for their citizens. Countries must expand the water infrastructure and actively take measures to clean up water.

SECTION II: We propose that UN countries agree to the following things:

- A 50% increase in spending on desalination investments by 2025.
- A 50% increase in spending on water infrastructure investments by 2025.
- A 20% decrease (or sustainable efficiency) in the water used for industrial uses by 2025.

SECTION III: The United Nations will established a ten country sub-committee with revolving seats on an annual basis. This ensures all countries will eventually be able to participate. This committee will oversee violations of proposed treaty in SECTION I and SECTION II as they work to remedy them.