

Committee: UNHRC

Topic: Combatting the effects of the drought in the Horn of Africa

Main Submitter: China

Co-Submitters: Russia, France, United Kingdom, Kenya

Signatories: Djibouti, USA, Egypt, Sudan, South Sudan, Morocco, Eritrea

Preambulatory Clauses:

Recognizing that 21 million people in the Horn of Africa are food insecure,

Alarmed by the lack of immediate international and local aid as well as media attention,

Emphasizing the damage that this drought has caused to the countries in the Horn of Africa, and to its people,

Deeply concerned by the large number of casualties caused by this drought,

Bearing in mind that 2.5 billion dollars is needed for a humanitarian response,

Keeping in mind that the root causes of the ongoing drought are climate change, rising international food and fuel prices

Operative Clauses

1. *Encourages* able countries to send support to the horn of Africa through;
 - a. sending money to help the Horn of Africa by:
 - i. government websites
 - ii. medical supplies
 - iii. global giving
 - iv. donor box
 - b. sending medical kits and vaccines to the horn of Africa
2. *Advises* delegates to help in funding drought-tolerant crops in the Horn of Africa;

- a. Drought-tolerant crops like maize, cowpeas, and rice have been created using biotechnology or traditional plant breeding methods, and they continue to grow and produce even when the rains stop,
 - i. The adoption of these crops has been encouraging, More than 200 drought-tolerant maize varieties are used by roughly 40 million smallholder farmers in sub-Saharan Africa, with advantages including higher crop yields, although the extent of their adoption by farmers varies by nation,
- 3. *Requests* all nations to provide funding for the “Great Green Wall” project which in turn,
 - a. Improves water and food security,
 - b. Rejuvenates the agricultural industry,
 - c. Restores a diversity of ecosystems,
 - d. Reduces summertimes temperature by as much as 1.5 degrees,
 - e. Protection of rural heritage,
 - f. Improvement of the living conditions of the local population,
- 4. *Demands* that all nations present who want to end this issue donate a certain amount of money to the nations in the Horn of Africa to go towards humanitarian aid,
 - a. The money given will be used to rebuild the horn of Africa
 - b. Around \$1.4 billion is needed for humanitarian response and protection for drought-affected people across the Horn of Africa
 - c. This donation will help end the drought in HoA
- 5. *Calls upon* the Red Cross and other NGOs to send medical staff to the horn of Africa through organizations such as;
 - a. The Red Cross,
 - I. brings assistance without discrimination to the wounded,
 - II. prevents and alleviates human suffering wherever it may be found
 - b. Somalia Red Crescent,
 - I. provides humanitarian assistance
 - II. supports communities who have been hit hardest with water, food, immediate financial help, nutrition services, and healthcare,
 - c. OXFAM International,
 - I. uses a combination of practical tactics and innovation to deliver development programs, public education, campaigns, advocacy and humanitarian assistance in disasters and conflicts,
 - d. Save the Children,

- I. ensures children have healthcare, food and shelter, as well as learning and child protection services when children need it most,
 - e. Hope for the Children,
 - I. delivers education, health, livelihoods and Child Rights projects that benefit thousands of children and families each year,
- 6. *Emphasizes* the importance of helping malnourished children by;
 - a. sending food items (including wheat, grain, and livestock feed) to the horn of Africa
 - i. they will be sent by airplane/boat/train provided by all countries that volunteer to help,
- 7. *Recommends* the use of water-saving devices and water recycling,
 - a. Ask countries to send water-saving devices and water-recycling devices to the horn of Africa,
 - b. Improve farming techniques and technologies, to over time stabilize the horn of africa's food issues
 - c. Donate more money, for the problems regarding water in the horn of Africa