Economic & Finance Committee

Country: Thailand

Resolution Topic: E-Waste Pollution

The General Assembly,

<u>Deeply alarmed</u> by the amount of electronic waste, also known as E-Waste being dumped in West Africa and Asia.

Noting with deep concern E-Waste factories are causing local Thailand farmers' crops to wither up and die.

<u>Further alarmed</u> by the fact some locals who have spoken out against companies dumping their E-Waste have been murdered and intimidated.

<u>Recalling</u> the statement 50 million tons of e-waste are produced globally, according to the United Nations.

<u>Approving</u> the statements of Dr Fangxing Yang of Zhejiang University in China after experiments on effects E-Waste polluted air on the human body that "Both inflammatory response and oxidative stress may lead to DNA damage, which could induce oncogenesis, or even cancer. Of course, inflammatory response and oxidative stress are also associated with other diseases, such as cardiovascular diseases."

- 1. **Encourages** the assembled body to take action to prevent further pollution via E-Waste internationally and support countries make an effort to stop this issue,
- 2. <u>Urges</u> fellow countries to reduce their amount of E-Waste being produced and put a deeper emphasis on recycling these products,
- 3. **Requests** E-Waste factories have stricter protocols or place taxes on companies who excessively dump E-Waste,
- 4. <u>Calls</u> upon states to better protect those who choose to speak against the problems caused by companies dumping their E-Waste.

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