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**THE ROLE OF PARLIAMENTS IN ENSURING SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT THROUGH
THE MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION
AND DEMOGRAPHIC CHANGE**

***Amendments to the revised preliminary draft resolution submitted
within the statutory deadline by the delegations of Belgium, Canada, China, Cuba, France,
Germany, India, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, the Latin-American Parliament, Morocco,
Romania, Sweden, Switzerland, Venezuela,***

PREAMBLE

New preambular paragraphs 1 and 2

Add two new paragraphs at the start of the preamble part to read as follows:

(1) ***Acknowledging*** the importance and general principles of the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development, adopted by the Rio Summit, held from 3 to 14 June 1992, at which it was stated that human beings are at the centre of concerns for sustainable development, and that they are entitled to a healthy and productive life in harmony with nature,

(2) ***Cognizant*** that States have, in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations and the principles of international law, the sovereign right to exploit their own resources pursuant to their own environmental and developmental policies, and the responsibility to ensure that activities within their jurisdiction or control do not damage the environment of other States or of areas beyond the limits of national jurisdiction,

(Cuba)

New preambular paragraphs 1bis, 1ter, 1quater, 1quinquies and 1sexies

Add five new paragraphs after preambular paragraph 1 to read as follows:

(1bis) ***Noting*** the Conference on agriculture and the environment held in Bois-le-Duc in April 1991,

(1ter) ***Bearing in mind*** the UN Millennium Development Goals,

(1quater) ***Recalling*** relevant IPU resolutions, in particular those adopted at the 97th Inter-Parliamentary Conference (Seoul, 1997) on “Measures required to change consumption and production patterns with a view to sustainable development”; at the 110th IPU

Assembly (Mexico, 2004) on “Working towards an equitable environment for international commerce: The issue of trade in agricultural products and access to basic medicines”; at the 120th IPU Assembly (Addis Ababa, 2009) on “Climate change, sustainable development models, and renewable energies”; and at the 121st IPU Assembly (Geneva, 2009) on “Parliamentary action to ensure global food security”,

(1quinquies) *Also recalling* Principle 8 of the Rio Declaration “To achieve sustainable development and a higher quality of life for all people, States should reduce and eliminate unsustainable patterns of production and consumption and promote appropriate demographic policies”,

(1sexies) *Mindful of the Rome Declaration on World Food Security and the World Food Summit (13-17 November 1996) Plan of Action,*

(Morocco)

Preambular paragraph 1(a)

Amend to read as follows:

(1a) Following a steady drop in poverty levels between 1990 and 2007, hunger rose sharply in 2009 according to the United Nations; according to estimates of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, 830 million persons will go hungry in 2011⁷. **These figures reveal the urgent need to adopt policies and initiatives to combat hunger,**

(Latin American Parliament)

Amend to read as follows:

(1a) Following a steady drop in poverty levels between 1990 and 2007, hunger rose sharply in 2009 according to the United Nations; according to **the latest** estimates of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, ~~830~~ **925** million persons will go hungry in 2011.

(Switzerland)

Amend to read as follows:

(1a) Following a ~~steady drop~~ **sustained increase** in poverty levels between 1990 and 2007, **and efforts to overcome the international financial crisis,** hunger rose sharply in 2009 according to the United Nations; according to estimates of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, 830 million persons will go hungry in 2011⁷. **This figure reveals the urgent need for policies and initiatives to combat hunger,**

(Venezuela)

Preambular paragraph 1(b)

Amend to read as follows:

(1b) The food crisis of 2007-2008 **in different regions of the world** revealed the international community’s vulnerability vis-à-vis food security,

(India)

Amend to read as follows:

(1b) The food crisis of 2007-2008 revealed the international community's vulnerability vis-à-vis food security, **and in the future, world population growth, economic development, water shortage, drought and desertification due to climatic change, the growing demand for grain not used as food, etc. may cause problems such as a food-supply crunch in the medium to long term, which will raise food prices,**

(Japan)

Amend to read as follows:

(1b) The food crisis of 2007-2008 revealed the international community's vulnerability vis-à-vis food security, **making it necessary to adopt policies and legislative frameworks to promote and ensure access to food for the population,**

(Venezuela)

Preambular paragraphs 1(c)

Amend to read as follows:

(1c) **In many regions of the world,** Arable land is being increased to the detriment of forested areas and fragile ecosystems,

(India)

Preambular paragraph 1(d)

Amend to read as follows:

(1d) Desertification in many places is due to **multiple factors that change over time and vary from one place to another; they include climatic factors such as long droughts, demographic pressures, political and socio-economic factors and international trade, and other factors such as patterns and practices** and poor land use,

(Venezuela)

Preambular paragraphs 1(f)

Amend to read as follows:

(1f) Deforestation accounts for 14 per cent of greenhouse gas emissions and consequent climatic change. **In order to reverse this trend, countries must be urged to honour national and international agreements dealing with the environment,**

(Latin American Parliament)

Amend to read as follows:

(1f) Deforestation accounts for 14 per cent of greenhouse gas emissions and consequent climatic change. **It is necessary, therefore, to urge countries to comply with relevant national and international legal instruments,**

(Venezuela)

Preambular paragraph 1(h)

Amend to read as follows:

(1h) This situation heightens the risk of conflict over access to and the use of water resources, **which will steadily decline because of population growth, pollution and expected climate change,**

(Venezuela)

Preambular paragraph 1(i)

Amend to read as follows:

(1i) Many countries, in particular developing countries, are ~~hard hit~~ **severely affected** by collapsing exports, capital flight and rising unemployment,

(Indonesia)

Preambular paragraph 1(j)

Replace the existing text of preambular paragraph 1(j) by the following:

(1j) ~~Over the past decades, agriculture has too often been neglected in both national and international policies, thereby contributing to conflict and instability,~~ **Agriculture requires the participation of the State,**

(Venezuela)

Preambular paragraph 1(k)

Add a new paragraph after preambular paragraph 1(j) to read as follows:

(1k) In various countries, particularly those in Africa, vast swathes of agricultural land are being “grabbed up” by foreign public and private operators with a view to consolidating their own food security,

(Belgium)

Preambular paragraph 2(a)

Amend to read as follows:

(2a) The growing needs of a burgeoning ~~urban~~ **general** population and extensive agriculture - both thirsty for water - oblige governments to concentrate their efforts to meet those needs by increasing the number of dams on rivers and streams and high-speed pumps to get water from the water table without taking appropriate measures to ensure a more sustainable use of water,

(Venezuela)

Preambular paragraph 2(b)

Amend to read as follows:

(2b) Seventy per cent of the fresh water used worldwide is for agricultural production, while competing claims on water for other purposes are increasing. **In order to avoid the scarcity of this resource, which is vital for the survival of human beings, the establishment of framework laws and policies is necessary in the countries that regulate the rational use of water resources,**

(Latin American Parliament)

Preambular paragraph 2(b)

Amend to read as follows:

(2b) Seventy per cent of the fresh water used worldwide is for agricultural production, while competing claims on water for other purposes are increasing. **The regulation of this vital resource must be considered as a sovereign right of each country,**

(Venezuela)

Preambular paragraph 3

Amend to read as follows:

(3) *Further noting that:*

(a) Significant demographic changes are marked by:

- lower birth rates and an ageing population in countries of the North;
- a high birth rate in Africa, more or less pronounced depending on the country;
- exponential urbanization compounded by higher levels of migration to coastal areas; and
- more significant migratory flows - forced or voluntary - due to armed conflict or for economic reasons, **as was tragically demonstrated by the serious crisis that erupted in North Africa and the Middle East in early 2011.**

(b) ...

(c) **Although, in terms of total population, Aall** countries and regions of the North need immigration to prevent their population from declining, ~~however, the level of immigration, based on past experience, varies greatly owing to the immigration policies adopted by each country~~ **the scope and speed of current and potential migratory flows, as well as the type of flows in terms of culture and religion, and education and professional qualifications, can lead to significant economic and social problems in destination countries and, consequently, require the implementation of immigration and integration policies by those countries most concerned,**

(Italy)

Preambular paragraph 3(c)

Amend to read as follows:

(3c) All countries and regions of the North ~~need immigration~~ **have to resort to immigrants** to prevent their **active** population from declining, however, the level of immigration, based on past experience, varies greatly owing to the immigration policies adopted by each country,

(Belgium)

Amend to read as follows:

(3c) All countries and regions of the North need **controlled** immigration to prevent their population from declining, however, the level of immigration, based on past experience, varies greatly owing to the immigration policies adopted by each country,

(Venezuela)

Preambular paragraph 3(f)

Delete the existing paragraph.

(Venezuela)

Preambular paragraph 4(a)

Replace the existing text of preambular paragraph 4(a) by the following:

(4a) ~~There is a direct link between the use of land, soil, water, biodiversity and other natural resources on the one hand, and between food production and poverty on the other, It is important to maintain a balance between economic development, social development and environmental protection as interdependent pillars of sustainable development which are mutually reinforcing,~~

(Venezuela)

Amend to read as follows:

(4a) There is a direct link between the use of land, soil, water, biodiversity, ~~and~~ other natural resources **and food production** on the one hand, and between food production and poverty on the other,

(Japan)

Preambular paragraph 4(b)

Amend to read as follows:

(4b) Poverty is **more pronounced** ~~occurs~~ in rural areas, where **many farmers in developing countries are finding it difficult to sustain agricultural production and** ~~an increasing number of larger-scale farmers are finding it difficult to~~ make a living,

(India)

Preambular paragraph 4(c)

Amend to read as follows:

(4c) Overcoming hunger requires an increase in both small-scale and large-scale agriculture and effective policies that focus on both categories, **based on sustainability of production while ensuring environmental protection;**

(Venezuela)

Preambular paragraph 4(d)

Amend to read as follows:

(4d) The private sector on the national and international levels has a key role to play in ~~climate-smart~~ **sustainable** agriculture and food security, food production, processing and marketing, and in the development and application of new technologies, including eco-efficient and responsible investments,

(India)

Preambular paragraph 4(e)

Amend to read as follows:

(4e) The allotment of more and more arable and forested land for the production of biofuels compounds the growing imbalance between supply and demand for foodstuffs **and deforestation,**

(Belgium)

Amend to read as follows:

(4e) ~~The~~ **In many regions of the world, the** allotment of more and more arable and forested land for the production of biofuels compounds the growing imbalance between supply and demand for foodstuffs,

(India)

Preambular paragraph 4(f)

Amend to read as follows:

(4f) The growing demand at the global level for biofuels, compounded by the heightened need for land, may put pressure, **in many regions of the world,** on marginal lands that are used for subsistence farming by the poor in rural areas,

(India)

Preambular paragraph 4(h)

Add a new paragraph after preambular paragraph 4(g) to read as follows:

(4h) In order to develop the supply of foodstuffs, markets must also be decompartmentalized and the free movement of agricultural foodstuffs at the regional level must be guaranteed,

(Belgium)

Preambular paragraph 5

Amend to read as follows:

(5) *Mindful* that agriculture, food security, population growth and climate change are closely linked, **and that, currently, the occurrence of several disasters affects countries to varying degrees depending on their vulnerabilities,**

(Cuba)

New preambular paragraph 5bis and 5ter

Add two new paragraphs after preambular paragraph 5 to read as follows:

(5bis) Aware that it is important to analyse and examine the effects of large-scale natural disasters on sustainable development through the management of natural resources, agricultural production and demographic change,

(5ter) Aware that the continuous development of food production and the management of various risks in each country, including the production, distribution, processing and consumption of food, which may affect a stable food supply, are all important for ensuring a stable food supply,

(Japan)

Preambular paragraph 6

Amend to read as follows:

(6) *Considering* that management of the world's natural resources (soil, land, forests, wildlife, **marine products**, water, energy and air) has to become more sustainable, focusing on renewal (sustainable use) and conservation instead of depletion and spending, while pursuing the goals of sustainable economic and social development,

(Japan)

New preambular paragraph 6bis

Add a new paragraph after preambular paragraph 6 to read as follows:

(6bis) Considering, with a view to achieving sustainable use of fishery resources ensuring their proper management, the importance of promoting aquafarming technology and studying the effects of changes in the marine environment, such as changes in ocean flow and rising sea temperatures due to global warming, which could affect fishery resources,

(Japan)

Add a new paragraph after preambular paragraph 6 to read as follows:

(6bis) Also considering that the sound management of natural resources, agricultural production and demographic change is the best way to sustain stable and sustainable economic and social development;

(Morocco)

Preambular paragraph 9

Amend to read as follows:

(9) *Acknowledging* that in order to implement an integrated approach, research, education and the proper application of research results are vital, and that traditional and indigenous knowledge need to be linked with modern technologies and the latest scientific knowledge about sustainable agricultural production, in particular food production and the sustainable use of natural resources, **and poverty reduction in rural areas,**

(Venezuela)

Preambular paragraph 11

Amend to read as follows:

(11) *Also underscoring* that growth in the agriculture sector, particularly in food production, remains fundamental **for the national interest, the economic and social development of nations,** development for poverty alleviation, economic growth and environmental sustainability,

(Venezuela)

Preambular paragraph 13

Amend to read as follows:

(13) *Also highlighting* that it is crucial to create the requisite conditions and provide the opportunities and resources for farmers and other people living in rural areas to increase their food production or income, send their children to school, and enjoy rising living standards and ~~fulfilling lives~~ in order to avoid large-scale migration with high risks for stability, peace and security in many regions of the world,

(Venezuela)

New preambular paragraphs 13bis and 13ter

Add two news paragraphs after preambular paragraph 13 to read as follows:

(13bis) *Also underscoring* that the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) aim specifically to eradicate extreme poverty and hunger, ensure environmental sustainability and develop a global partnership for development; and *recalling* that, at the UN Summit on the MDGs held in September 2010, UN Member States committed themselves to accelerating progress to achieve the Goals by 2015;

(13ter) *Considering* the need to devise innovative sources of financing with a view to achieving the MDGs, supplement official development assistance, guarantee stable flows of funds given long-term needs and facilitate a concerted management of development aid between countries of the North and countries of the South;

(France)

Preambular paragraph 14

Amend to read as follows:

(14) *Acknowledging* that it is critical that countries ~~share~~ **develop and transfer** experiences and innovative technologies and cooperate in training and developing human and technical capacities,

(Venezuela)

Preambular paragraph 15

Amend to read as follows:

(15) *Convinced* that development policies should focus on ~~providing water accessing and transferring systems in and to areas that suffer from water shortage,~~ **issues related to equitable access and distribution of scarce water resources,**

(India)

Amend to read as follows:

(15) *Convinced* that development policies should focus on providing water accessing and transferring systems in and to areas that suffer from water shortage **in addition to other measures such as the renovation and construction of aqueducts and integrated irrigation systems,**

(Venezuela)

Preambular paragraph 16

Amend to read as follows:

(16) *Aware* that ~~much of the~~ **wider dissemination of innovative technologies from developed to developing countries is** and knowledge that are needed is already available, but ~~their wider dissemination and uptake are~~ a key challenge that must be addressed,

(India)

Preambular paragraph 19

Amend to read as follows:

(19) *Aware* that intensifying agriculture for food security must include a vigorous response to major environmental changes such as **climate change**, desertification, land degradation and drought,

(Sweden)

Amend to read as follows:

(19) *Aware* that intensifying agriculture for food security must include a vigorous response, **based on the constitution and sovereignty of each country**, to major environmental changes such as desertification, land degradation and drought,

(Venezuela)

Preambular paragraph 20

Amend to read as follows:

(20) *Considering* that Africa and Asia, above all, should benefit from a ~~sustainable management green revolution~~, that is, an agricultural productivity revolution that is economically viable, socially equitable and environmentally sustainable,

(Venezuela)

Preambular paragraph 21

Amend to read as follows:

(21) *Also considering* that a green revolution, particularly in Africa, should be tailored to the needs of diverse local agro-ecological conditions and cropping systems, **bearing in mind the principles of the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development**,

(Cuba)

Amend to read as follows:

(21) *Also considering* that a green revolution, ~~particularly in Africa~~ **both in Africa and Asia**, should be tailored to the needs of diverse local agro-ecological conditions and cropping systems,

(India)

Amend to read as follows:

(21) *Also considering* that a ~~sustainable management green revolution~~, particularly in Africa, should be tailored to the needs of diverse local agro-ecological conditions and cropping systems,

(Venezuela)

New preambular paragraph 22bis

Add a new paragraph after preambular paragraph 22 to read as follows:

(22bis) *Also underscoring* that the rise in commodity prices affects first and foremost the poorest importers of agricultural products and that the extreme volatility of commodity prices threatens food security;

(France)

Preambular paragraph 23

Amend to read as follows:

(23) *Also underscoring* that a paradigm shift is needed, **since the current model is not sustainable** and agriculture should no longer be seen as a cause of environmental degradation but part of the solution to improve environmental sustainability,

(Venezuela)

New preambular paragraph 24bis

Add a new paragraph after preambular paragraph 24 to read as follows:

(24bis) Aware that achieving gender equality in agriculture and rural labour markets would generate significant gains for agricultural and rural development, food security and for society as a whole, and noting in this respect the findings and recommendations of the recent FAO report The State of Food and Agriculture 2010-11, entitled "Women and Agriculture – Closing the Gender Gap for Development",

(Romania)

New preambular paragraph 26bis

Add a new paragraph after preambular paragraph 26 to read as follows:

(26bis) Stressing the importance of increased financing for development, including the need to meet the long-standing target of 0.7 per cent of gross national product (GNP) for official development assistance (ODA) to developing countries, and of wider and deeper debt relief to developing countries,

(Cuba)

Preambular paragraph 27

Amend to read as follows:

(27) *Convinced* that it is critical that appropriate land tenure systems for private and communal land are put in place to promote ~~climate-smart~~ **sustainable** agriculture and improve access to land, in particular for small-scale farmers,

(India)

Amend to read as follows:

(27) *Convinced* that it is critical that appropriate land tenure systems for private and communal land are put in place to promote ~~climate-smart~~ **sustainable** agriculture and improve access to land, in particular for small-scale farmers,

(Indonesia)

Preambular paragraph 28

Amend to read as follows:

(28) ~~Also~~ **eConvinced** that the active engagement of all actors, including local government, civil society and private sector partners, should be mobilized in the planning and implementation of policies and practices,

(Morocco)

Amend to read as follows:

(28) *Also convinced* that the active engagement of all actors, including local government, **all organizations and popular groups**, ~~civil society~~ and private sector partners, should be mobilized in the planning and implementation of policies and practices,

(Venezuela)

New preambular paragraph 28bis

Add a new paragraph after preambular paragraph 28 to read as follows:

(28bis) *Underscoring the important role efficient food distribution systems and well-functioning markets, at the regional and international levels, can play in ensuring global food security and promoting sustainable development,*

(Canada)

Preambular paragraph 29

Amend to read as follows:

(29) *Underscoring that it is important to generate opportunities for higher incomes through adding value to the production and supply chain **in the area of agriculture,***

(Venezuela)

Preambular paragraph 30

Amend to read as follows:

(30) *Acknowledging that the private sector must play a central role in expanding agriculture **through** production, building agricultural value chains and assessing the potential of new technologies, ~~including genetically modified organisms,~~*

(India)

Amend to read as follows:

(30) *Acknowledging that the private sector must play a central role in expanding agriculture production, building agriculture value chains and assessing the potential of new technologies, **based on scientific evidence,** including genetically modified organisms,*

(Sweden)

Preambular paragraph 32

Amend to read as follows:

(32) *Acknowledging that investments in revitalizing developing country agriculture and promoting sustainable rural development will need to be supported by ~~new and additional~~ **adequate** resources from all sources, including private, public, domestic and international sources,*

(Germany)

Amend to read as follows:

(32) *Acknowledging that investments in revitalizing developing country agriculture and promoting sustainable rural development will need to be supported by new and additional resources from all sources, including private, public, domestic and international sources, **as well as technology transfer and capacity building,***

(Indonesia)

New preambular paragraph 32bis

Add a new paragraph after preambular paragraph 32 to read as follows:

(32bis) Aware that while the increase in large-scale land acquisitions in developing nations by foreign investors can bring opportunities to local people, including guaranteed outlets, employment, investment in infrastructure, and higher agricultural productivity, local people may also lose access to land, water, and other resources, particularly if they are not included in the land allocation decision-making process and their land rights are not protected,

(Canada)

Add a new paragraph after preambular paragraph 32 to read as follows:

(32bis) Noting that large-scale land acquisition by foreign capital in developing countries, in particular in Africa and Asia, which is motivated by concerns about the food crisis and rising food prices, hampers sustainable food production and leads to serious problems such as food shortages in those countries,

(Japan)

Preambular paragraph 34

Amend to read as follows:

(34) Convinced that **it is crucial** that women ~~play a crucial role and should be~~ **given equal access as men to land, technology, financial services, education and market** ~~an important part of the solution;~~

(Sweden)

Preambular paragraph 36

Amend to read as follows:

(36) Considering that **agricultural** land ~~for agriculture~~ should be exploited in a sustainable manner ~~along with the sustainable use of other natural resources,~~

(Morocco)

Amend to read as follows:

(36) Considering that land for agriculture should be exploited in a sustainable manner along with the sustainable use of other natural resources **and more rational management of production systems,**

(Venezuela)

Preambular paragraph 37

Amend to read as follows:

(37) Also considering that a green revolution, **which does not replace a sustainable economy,** can only succeed if it goes hand in hand with a comprehensive and coherent set of political decisions, including financial incentives for small-scale farmers, communication and education policies and regulations on land management reform,

(Cuba)

Amend to read as follows:

(37) *Also considering* that **sustainable management** ~~green-revolution~~ can only succeed if it goes hand in hand with a comprehensive and coherent set of political decisions, including financial incentives for small-scale farmers, communication and education policies and regulations on land management reform,

(Venezuela)

Preambular paragraph 38

Amend to read as follows:

(38) *Noting* the UN Millennium Development Goals, the related Action Plan **as well as the Declaration of the World Summit on Food Security, held in Rome in November 2009, and the 2010 updated Comprehensive Framework for Action of the High-Level Task Force on the Global Food Security Crisis** and **all** the commitments contained therein concerning the fight against poverty and hunger,

(Switzerland)

New preambular paragraphs 38bis, 38ter and 38quater

Add three new paragraphs after preambular paragraph 38 to read as follows:

(38bis) ***Aware of the importance of fisheries for food security, including as a source of income,***

(38ter) ***Knowing that forests are very important for many people's livelihoods and employment, including sustainable forestry management,***

(38quater) ***Acknowledging the need for sustainable urban development policies in the context of continued global urbanization, including sustainable industries and well-developed transportation,***

(Sweden)

OPERATIVE PART

New operative paragraphs 1 and 2

Add two new paragraphs at the start of the operative part to read as follows:

1. ***Calls on the IPU, parliaments and parliamentarians to recognize the validity of the principles contained in the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development, adopted by the Rio Summit of 3 to 14 June 1992;***
2. ***Recognizes that States have the sovereign right to exploit their own resources pursuant to their own environmental and developmental policies, and the responsibility to ensure that activities within their jurisdiction or control do not damage the environment of other States or of areas beyond the limits of national jurisdiction;***

(Cuba)

New operative paragraph 1bis

Add a new paragraph after operative paragraph 1 to read as follows:

1bis. Calls on parliamentarians to promote measures to mitigate or prevent migration caused by overpopulation, poverty and environmental degradation through the implementation, in countries of origin, of policies for increased sustainable agricultural productivity and sustainable use of natural resources;

(Italy)

Operative paragraph 2

Amend to read as follows:

2. *Encourages* parliamentarians and parliaments to engage all ~~actors~~ **sectors**, including local ~~and regional~~ government, civil society and private sector partners, to ~~mobilize~~ **constructively and actively contribute to** ~~in~~ the planning and implementation of policies;

(Indonesia)

Amend to read as follows:

2. *Encourages* **governments**, parliamentarians and parliaments to engage all actors, including local and regional government, civil society and private sector partners, to **formulate and implement strategies for equal access to stable and sustainable food supplies** ~~mobilize in the planning and implementation of~~ policies;

(Morocco)

Amend to read as follows:

2. *Encourages* parliamentarians and parliaments to engage all actors, including local and regional government, civil society and private sector partners, to mobilize in the planning and implementation of policies **in order to ensure sustainable development through the management of natural resources, agricultural production and demographic change;**

(Switzerland)

Amend to read as follows:

2. *Encourages* parliamentarians and parliaments to engage all actors, including local and regional government, **all organizations and popular groups** ~~civil society~~ and private sector partners, to mobilize in the planning and implementation of policies;

(Venezuela)

New operative paragraph 2bis

Add a new paragraph after operative paragraph 2 to read as follows:

2bis. Calls on parliaments and parliamentarians of the developed countries to urge their governments to honour their commitment to allocate 0.7 per cent of GNP to official development assistance;

(Cuba)

Add a new paragraph after operative paragraph 2 to read as follows:

2bis. Invites parliamentarians to support agricultural research and innovation, as well as the development, dissemination and transfer of affordable, appropriate and sustainable agricultural technologies;

(Romania)

Operative paragraph 3

Amend to read as follows:

3. *Calls on* parliamentarians to acknowledge the crucial role of women in sustainable agricultural development ~~and to support~~ **by adopting legislation and supporting policies and measures aimed** inter alia ~~legislation,~~ **at eliminating discrimination against women and at increasing women's access to agricultural resources, education and training, access to, labour markets, technologies, micro credits, finance and other facilities, since women's empowerment is key to poverty eradication and sustainable development;**

(Romania)

Operative paragraph 6

Amend to read as follows:

6. *Calls on* national parliaments and parliamentarians to encourage their governments to take all necessary measures to ~~restore degraded land~~ **adopt a national plan of action to combat desertification, drought and land degradation, taking into consideration the promotion of legislative frameworks, public awareness programmes and other measures such as reforestation, conservation and protection of forests;**

(Latin American Parliament)

Amend to read as follows:

6. *Calls on* national parliaments and parliamentarians to **adopt effective legislative measures as well as** encourage their governments to take all necessary measures to restore degraded land;

(Switzerland)

Amend to read as follows:

6. *Calls on* national parliaments and parliamentarians to ~~encourage their governments to take all necessary measures to restore degraded land~~ **adopt a national action plan to combat desertification, drought and land degradation, taking into consideration the promotion of legislative frameworks, public awareness programmes and other measures such as reforestation, conservation and protection of forests;**

(Venezuela)

New operative paragraph 6bis

Add a new paragraph after operative paragraph 6 to read as follows:

6bis. Invites parliaments to adopt action plans and development strategies with a view to striking a balance between natural resources and stable and sustainable demographic change;

(Morocco)

Operative paragraph 7

Amend to read as follows:

7. *Invites* parliamentarians to support policies and measures at the national, regional and international levels **with a view to fostering the rational use of water and**—improving water efficiency in agriculture, **as well as** promoting integrated land and water management and the development of innovative water efficiency technologies;

(France)

Amend to read as follows:

7. *Invites* parliamentarians to support policies and measures at the national, regional and international levels, improve water efficiency in agriculture, promote integrated land and water management, ~~and the~~ development of innovative water efficiency technologies **and the development of seeds that can tolerate a dry climate or cereals that can be grown with limited water;**

(Japan)

New operative paragraph 7bis

Add a new paragraph after operative paragraph 7 to read as follows:

7bis. Also invites parliaments and governments to take the necessary measures to implement the right to safe drinking water and sanitation;

(France)

Operative paragraph 8

Amend to read as follows:

8. *Calls on* parliaments and parliamentarians to develop and harmonize legislation for adequate standards on the manufacture and use of fertilizers, pesticides and biotechnology products, **agricultural health and food safety;**

(Latin American Parliament)

Amend to read as follows:

8. *Calls on* parliaments and parliamentarians to **strive to achieve a balance in the ecosystems by** developing and harmonizing legislation for **strict and** adequate standards **that restrict** ~~on~~ the manufacture and use of fertilizers, pesticides and biotechnology products;

(Sweden)

Amend to read as follows:

8. *Calls on* parliaments and parliamentarians to develop and harmonize legislation for adequate standards on the manufacture and use of fertilizers, pesticides and biotechnology products, **agricultural health and food safety;**

(Venezuela)

New operative paragraph 9bis

Add a new paragraph after operative paragraph 9 to read as follows:

- 9bis. Invites parliaments and parliamentarians to establish, where necessary, a legislative framework stipulating that foreign investment in agricultural land must also help guarantee the food security of the local population;**

(Belgium)

Operative paragraph 10

Amend to read as follows:

10. *Calls on* parliamentarians to include, as part of their action, measures aimed at halting biodiversity loss, **including through fair and equitable benefit sharing from the utilization of genetic resources, as well as** ~~and~~ promoting plant and animal genetic diversity;

(Indonesia)

Amend to read as follows:

10. *Calls on* parliamentarians to include, as part of their action, measures aimed at halting biodiversity loss and promoting plant and animal genetic diversity, **including measures to implement the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity as well as the biodiversity targets adopted at the 10th Conferenc of the Parties (COP 10) to the Convention on Biological Diversity in Nagoya;**

(Switzerland)

Operative paragraph 12

Amend to read as follows:

12. *Calls on* parliamentarians, in particular those in developing countries, **to support the eradication of rural poverty** ~~to support and encourage~~ **and encourage** rural development ~~policies;~~

(Latin American Parliament)

Amend to read as follows:

12. *Calls on* parliamentarians, in particular those in developing countries, to support and encourage ~~rural development policies,~~ **the eradication of rural poverty;**

(Venezuela)

New operative paragraph 12bis

Add a new paragraph after operative paragraph 12 to read as follows:

12bis. Also calls on parliamentarians to adopt legislation and agricultural policies to protect family-owned rural lands;

(Morocco)

Operative paragraph 13

Replace the existing text of operative paragraph 13 by the following:

13. Encourages parliamentarians in both developed and developing countries to promote greater transparency and accountability in international development cooperation, while supporting efforts to improve the quality and targeting of official development assistance;

(Romania)

New operative paragraph 13bis

Add a new paragraph after operative paragraph 13 to read as follows:

13bis. Also encourages parliamentarians to support trade liberalization and limited forms of distorting support that undermine free trade, and promote a successful conclusion of the Doha Round of multilateral trade negotiations;

(Canada)

Add a new paragraph after operative paragraph 13 to read as follows:

13bis. Also encourages parliamentarians to support initiatives aimed at devising innovative forms of financing, based mainly on taxes and financial operations, to help achieve the international Millennium Development Goals;

(France)

Add a new paragraph after operative paragraph 13 to read as follows:

13bis. Encourages parliaments and parliamentarians to support the efforts made by governments to establish international rules for promoting responsible agricultural investment;

(Japan)

Operative paragraph 14

Amend to read as follows:

14. Calls on parliamentarians to support green growth strategies, in which policies on agricultural development, food production, rural development, the decompartamentalization of local and regional agricultural markets and the sustainable use of natural resources are integrated;

(Belgium)

Amend to read as follows:

14. *Calls on* parliamentarians to support ~~green~~ **sustainable** growth strategies, in which policies on agricultural development, food production, rural development and the sustainable use of natural resources are integrated;

(China)

Amend to read as follows:

14. *Calls on* parliamentarians to support green growth strategies, in which policies on agricultural development, food production, rural development and the sustainable use of natural resources are integrated **and based on the principles agreed upon at the World Summit on Sustainable Development, Agenda 21 and the Johannesburg Plan of Implementation;**

(Cuba)

Amend to read as follows:

14. *Calls on* parliamentarians to support ~~green growth~~ **sustainable development** strategies, in which policies on agricultural development, food production, rural development and the sustainable use of natural resources are integrated;

(Indonesia)

Amend to read as follows:

14. *Calls on* parliamentarians to support green growth strategies, in which policies on agricultural development, food production, rural development and the sustainable use of natural resources are integrated **with a view to effectively managing resources for agricultural production;**

(Venezuela)

New operative paragraph 14bis

Add a new paragraph after operative paragraph 14 to read as follows:

- 14bis. Also calls on parliaments to encourage governments to formulate policies and draft laws that take into account the evolving costs of environmental, demographic and economic changes with a view to ensuring stable and sustainable management of natural resources;**

(Morocco)

Operative paragraph 15

Amend to read as follows:

15. *Urges* parliamentarians and governments to create the requisite conditions and provide the opportunities and resources for the most vulnerable farmers to have access to land, increase their food production, participate in knowledge-sharing, ~~send their children to school~~ **have access to education** and enjoy rising living standards;

(Indonesia)

New operative paragraph 15bis

Add a new paragraph after paragraph 15 to read as follows:

- 15bis. *Also urges* parliamentarians to support initiatives aimed at enhancing the way global agricultural commodities markets function, in particular by making these markets more transparent, regulating the corresponding derivatives markets, strengthening the coordination of national agricultural policies and establishing new international mechanisms to support developing country importers;**

(France)

New operative paragraph 16bis

Add a new paragraph after operative paragraph 16 to read as follows:

- 16bis. *Encourages* governments and parliaments to advocate environmental awareness and educate the public about coordinated action against environmental degradation;**

(Cuba)

Add a new paragraph after operative paragraph 16 to read as follows:

- 16bis. *Encourages* parliaments and governments to identify responsible natural resource development in the global community as a means to provide a stable supply of energy and mineral resources, as there is increasingly intense competition across the world for energy and minerals;**

(Japan)

Add a new paragraph after operative paragraph 16 to read as follows:

- 16bis. *Invites* the IPU and its Member Parliaments to support the preparatory process of and provide a parliamentary dimension for the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development in 2012;**

(Romania)

New operative paragraph 17bis

Add a new paragraph after operative paragraph 17 to read as follows:

- 17bis. *Invites* the IPU and parliamentarians to place on the agenda the question of demographics, taking into account the specificities of each country.**

(Belgium)

Add a new paragraph after operative paragraph 17 to read as follows:

- 17bis. *Also invites* IPU Member Parliaments to organize specialized regional and global meetings to identify the best methods for ensuring the sound management of natural resources as a prerequisite of sustainable development;**

(Morocco)

Add a new paragraph after operative paragraph 17 to read as follows:

- 17bis. *Underscores* the importance of achieving sustainable fisheries in order to prevent overfishing of the world's oceans, thereby safeguarding fragile ecosystems;**

(Sweden)