QUESTION OF: PROMOTING SUSTAINABLE TRADE BY ADOPTING SOUND TRADE POLICIES FOR A GREEN ECONOMY

The General Assembly,

Deeply concerned by the fact that pollution is destroying the environment with the release of greenhouse gases, by air and water pollution,

Grieved by the wastage and demolishing of natural resources by whereby the fauna and flora are destroyed,

Bearing in mind that over-exploitation of natural resources and marine environment cannot only cause negative ecological consequences, but it can also reduce fish production, which can lead to negative social and economic consequences,

Deeply Conscious that as development moves into isolated areas, indigenous cultures are destroyed while local people are uprooted,

Alarmed by the environmental wreckage caused by oil spills, sea dumping, sediment, marine debris as well as toxic fuels which are threatening both marine and terrestrial surroundings,

Noting with regret that the political crises and severe conflicts as well as extreme violence and poverty have been some major difficulties faced by the countries resulting in the delay of development in trade,
Realising that the concern of many developing countries is to change the market focus of their main industries that can lead to job losses,

1. **Recommends** to increase public awareness at all levels with Information campaign, educational initiatives and consumer-orientated programmes focussing on the economic, health and environmental benefits of sustainable agriculture;

2. **Suggests** that in developing countries, an export market should support local economic underdevelopment;

3. **Urges** the government to pass effective laws on protecting natural assets and preventing exploitation of resources;

4. **Note with interest** that achieving the 7th goal of SDGs on energy can unlock vast potential for economic growth in all regions by reducing greenhouse emissions;

5. **Supports** that integrating green products and services into international markets can act as strong incentives to go green using renewable energy resources;

6. **Requests** that ships and cargo-ships are subjected to frequent checks before leaving the harbour to ensure that marine environment is not endangered;
7. Approves that an important aspect of a green economy can approach to a sustainable trade which involves advocating policy reforms and investments;

8. Emphasizes that the government should concentrate on afforestation, preventing illegal logging;

9. Declares accordingly that the government shall provide financial assistance to fisheries and aquaculture farms in order to fulfil criteria or sustainability and organic standard;

10. Ensures that General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade are well followed and governmental bodies should be informed about these agreements in order to make it possible for states to be able to carry out law-abiding trade policies and regulations;

11. Considers that anticorruption programmes should be carried out to promote efficient methods of investment and financing;

12. Reminds that the local population should avoid dumping wastes in the river in order to protect marine life as well as raising their awareness about environmental degradation.