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**Topic:** Promotion of New and Renewable Sources of Energy

*The General Assembly Plenary,*

1 *Noting* Article 55 of Chapter IX in the UN Charter which diligently outlines solutions to international social  
2 problems, and incorporates universal respect for human rights, of which the right to sustainable development and  
3 access to energy resources is included,  
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5 *Recognizing* the proposed Sustainable Development Goals created by request of General Assembly resolution  
6 66/288 *The future we want*, specifically Sustainable Development Goal 7, which emphasizes the importance of  
7 international sharing, investment, and cooperation in renewable-energy development and ensures the substantial  
8 increase of the global share of modern renewable energies by 2030,  
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10 *Guided by* the Group of 77's proposal in the Means of Implementation of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to  
11 expedite the execution and promotion of increased knowledge sharing, research, technology transfer, public  
12 participation, and coordination for sustainable development through creation of the United Nations Global  
13 Technology Facilitation Mechanism (UNGTFM),  
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15 *Reaffirming* General Assembly resolution 67/215 *Promotion of new and renewable sources of energy* which  
16 declares 2014-2024 as the Decade of Sustainable Energy for All in order to set international precedence for the  
17 further development of all renewable forms of energy,  
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19 *Conscious* of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change's (UNFCCC) mandate to continue  
20 developing appropriate and effective responses to climate change, of which the transition to renewable energy is  
21 involved,  
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23 *Bearing in mind* the economic instabilities and turmoil associated with managing debt in developing renewable  
24 energy systems and infrastructure, as identified within the United Nations Development Programme's (UNDP)  
25 report entitled *Derisking Renewable Energy Investment*,  
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27 *Noting* the importance of systems of energy transportation and trade to promote sustainable development as stated in  
28 General Assembly resolution 67/263 on reliable and stable transmission of energy and its role in ensuring  
29 sustainable development and international cooperation,  
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31 *Acknowledging* the report on the promotion of new and renewable sources of energy A/69/323, on the importance of  
32 youth education in terms of training programs and renewable energy training,  
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34 *Further recalling* the support and importance of the implementation and proliferation of modern energy services and  
35 renewable energy technologies set forth in General Assembly resolution 66/288 and the Sustainable Energy for All  
36 initiative by the Secretary-General,  
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- 38 1. *Recommends* that Member States should actively pursue achievement of SDG Goal 7 by developing  
39 multilateral and regional partnerships in order to:
  - 40 a. alleviate the cost of developing renewable energy resources and systems for the purposes of  
41 leading to energy independence,  
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  - 43 b. develop and bolster new and existing regional renewable energy markets,  
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  - 45 c. further promote and develop international energy corridors, energy grids, and smart grids to  
46 reduce energy wastage;  
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- 48 2. *Urges* Member States to utilize renewable energy sources by expanding energy access to rural populations,  
49 marginalized and indigenous peoples, and women in accordance with SDG Goal 7 so as to:  
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- a. ensure affordable and practical universal access to renewable energy systems and resources;
  - b. promote the provision and implementation of micro-personal green renewable energy generators, and their utilization in clean energy production regarding domestic and business development;
  3. *Invites* all Member States to obtain a membership with the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA) in order to facilitate the expansion of renewable energy infrastructure and access to research and technology, as stipulated in SDG Goal 7;
  4. *Further invites* Member States to provide additional support towards IRENA so to expand the scope and efficiency of its Renewable Resource Assessment (RRA) to provide comprehensive action plans for individual Member States towards renewable energy resources;
  5. *Expresses its hope* that Member States will collectively cooperate to successfully achieve the renewable energy objectives within the 7<sup>th</sup> SDG Goal, by economic measures such as:
    - a. negotiating debt forgiveness and restructuring memorandums between Member States with assurance that similar proportion of debt funds are invested directly into renewable energy system developments,
    - b. setting concrete economic goals for future development of renewable energy use and systems,
    - c. the gradual removal of non-renewable energy resource subsidies in favor of reinvestment into renewable energy systems,
    - d. increasing availability of concessionary financing for developing nations in order to increase funding for renewable energy development;
  6. *Appeals* the UNFCCC to continue implementing incentive-based frameworks for promotion, use, and development of renewable energy resources and systems to enhance international cooperation, as called for in SDG Goal 7;
  7. *Encourages* Member States to promote and maintain education on renewable energy sources and technologies through:
    - a. utilization of the UN-Habitat Hands-on training courses on Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Technologies for Youth Empowerment program which focuses on maintenance and hands-on training of youth in developing states in the fields of energy efficiency and renewable energy technologies,
    - b. addressing the importance of indigenous people as educators on the topic of renewable energy sources and technologies due to their regional specific knowledge;
  9. *Welcomes* the international community to adopt the aforementioned operatives in order to fully accomplish the proposed 7th Goal of the Sustainable Development Goals.