

FORUM OF: The First Economic and Social Council, Commission on Sustainable Development

QUESTION OF: Reducing the use of fossil fuels worldwide

MAIN SUBMITTER: Denmark

CO-SUBMITTERS: Canada, France, Germany, Italy, South Africa, China, Japan

THE COMMISSION ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT:

*Expresses* the importance of reducing pollution in today's society,

*Alarmed* at the high amount of fossil fuel usage,

*Understanding* that renewable energy is central to stopping climate change by decreasing carbon emissions through transition away from fossil fuels,

*Fully aware* that in order to be successful in using renewable energy, multiple approaches must be implemented,

*Realizing* that renewable energy is more expensive than fossil fuels and that in order for poorer nations to be able to afford it, privileged countries must strongly fund them,

*Reaffirming* the Kyoto Protocol including legally binding commitments on environmental goals for emissions trading,

1. Urges all countries to create national funds to facilitate actions promoting renewable energy such as, but not limited to:
  - a. research,
  - b. technological development,
  - c. technological implementation,

- d. building infrastructure,
  - e. public awareness;
2. Condemns the excavation and preparation of new sources of fossil fuels, suggesting such repercussions as, but not limited to:
  - a. fines,
  - b. nationalization of public businesses involved,
  - c. judiciary prosecution of leading instigators;
3. Endorses the introduction of heavy national taxation on any product produced with excessive use of fossil fuels, or which relies on an excessive use of fossil fuels, by 2030;
4. Approves the creation of a UN task force titled Fossil Fuel Free (FFF), which will be responsible for, but not limited to:
  - a. assuring that all countries are taking suitable steps in reducing fossil fuel use,
  - b. aiding countries in developing methods of reducing fossil fuel reliance;
5. Proclaims that all MEDC's be fossil fuel free by 2040, to be aided and monitored by FFF;
6. Further proclaims that all LEDC's be fossil fuel free by 2050, to be aided and monitored by FFF;