

## **United Nations Environment Program (UNEP)**

**Topic:** “Combating Plastic Pollution to Safeguard Global Ecosystems.”

**Sponsors:** Federal Republic of Germany, Kingdom of Thailand, New Zealand, Oriental Republic of Uruguay, Republic of Cuba, and Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka.

*The United Nations Environment Program,*

*Alarmed by* the fact that by 2050 the amount of plastic in the ocean will be heavier than all the fish combined,

*Aware that* there are 5 trillion microplastic particles in the ocean,

*Bearing in mind* that each year the amount of plastic waste in our rivers, lakes, and oceans adds up to the weight of more than 2,000 Eiffel Towers,

1. *Calls for* making plastics more expensive and imposing taxes on their use;
2. *Decides to* use the money from these taxes to clean up local areas and nearby rivers and oceans;
3. *Encourages* the development and creation of new environmentally-friendly alternatives to plastics;
4. *Urges* the community to adopt the 3Rs (Reduce, Reuse, Recycle) to improve waste management.