

## RESOLUTION IV – MOROCCO

THEME : 2030 AGENDA FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

CONCERN : LAUNCH OF THE "HORIZON SAHARA 2040" INITIATIVE TO COMBAT DROUGHT THE UNITED

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

- Noting with great concern the increase in extreme weather phenomena and a high rate of multiannual drought, particularly on the African continent but also in other regions,
- Observing that several countries, including Mali, Morocco, the United Republic of Tanzania and Uganda, have just experienced the hottest year in their history, and that by 2030, up to 118million extremely poor people (living on less than \$1.90 a day) will be exposed to drought,floods and extreme heat in Africa,
- Deploring that in 2024, 2.2 billion people still lack safe drinking water (Source: WHO), even though it is a fundamental right,
- Stressing that the water issue crystallises tensions at domestic, regional and systemic levels, hence the urgent need to rethink the sustainable management of water resources on a global scale,
- Welcomes the existence of projects already launched to promote better water management agricultural diversification, such as the "Great Green Wall" initiative,
- Calls on all Member States to put in place efforts to raise awareness among their populations, and in particular among young people, with the participation of influencers, as youngpeople are more attentive to this issue,
- Encourages Member States to respond to Morocco's call to join its new "Horizon Sahara 2040" initiative to implement new facilities such as: atmospheric moisture capture systems,nanofiltration technologies and hydrophilic building materials; Morocco is a pioneer in putting in place measures and infrastructure to combat this drought situation, not only forits own country but also to help other countries,
- Urges international donors and governments to increase the proportion of funding dedicated togreen technological innovations and to provide technical assistance, including architects,builders, technicians and engineers, as well as the supply of appropriate equipment.

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