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*Topic : "Reduce food waste"*

*Reminding* that, the Food and Agriculture Organization has always pursued the objective of defeating hunger and achieving food security for humankind by means of international debates, to make sure everybody has access to proper and healthy food ;

*Emphasizing* the necessity to reduce food loss and waste and to focus on the way it can contribute to sustainable development ;

*Seriously concerned* to reduce poverty and hunger worldwide, and help to combat climate change ;

*Bearing in mind* the target 12.3 of the Sustainable Development Program, calling for a halving of global per capita food waste at retail and consumer level, as well as a reduction in food losses throughout the production and supply chains ;

*Highlighting* the contradiction that today, 811 million people around the world suffer from hunger, including millions of children who are victims of serious under-nutrition and at the same time 17% of the global food available is thrown away, representing more than one billion tons of waste ;

*Setting out* the resolution 74/209, which recognizes the fundamental role played by sustainable food production in promoting food security and nutrition worldwide ;

1. *Calls* for all surfaces selling food products to donate food leftovers to associations fighting hunger in the department of the surface ;
2. *Suggests* setting up awareness campaigns in every school and university, to encourage young people to limit their food waste ;
3. *Recommends* the weighing of food waste bags by municipal waste officers, and the introduction of a tax for each household exceeding the quota of 70 kg of food waste per year ;
4. *Requires* food waste to be composted and reused as fertilizer ;
5. *Invites* each grocery store to remove expiration dates from product packaging, except for fresh products ;
6. *Calls* for a ban on the sale of disposable bags, and the promotion of reusable tote bags ;
7. *Encourages* grocery stores to take regular stock inventories, to avoid overbuying, and to promote bulk sales ;
8. *Proposes* that every country reduce its food waste by 20% by 2030, by appealing to the reasonableness of its citizens and by implementing the above points ;

*Remains* actively seized of the subject.