

RESOLUTION: ENV III/B  
COUNCIL: Council of Arab Environmental Affairs Ministers  
TOPIC: Examining avenues for regional water security within the league over the usage and disputes over shared water resources

**Acknowledging** the difficulty of allocating the scarce water sources that are in the Middle East North Africa region,

**Valuing** the sovereignty of members of the Arab League and historical rights to various water resources, and

**Noting** the potential overuse of these resources and unsustainability thereof,

**Be it hereby resolved that the League of Arab States:**

1. **Creates** the Arab Water Resource Allocation Analysis Committee (AWRAAC) tasked with but not limited to the following,
  - a. Assessing the needs and access to water resources of all Arab League member states,
  - b. Measuring the current consumption rates of member states of their water resources and the environmental strains caused by such consumption,
  - c. Analyzing the benefits of and encouraging afforestation efforts,
  - d. Creating a detailed plan for the fair and equitable division of water resources among states that share access to river systems, aquifers, etc.,
  - e. Studying the responsibilities, functions, and effectiveness of the The Arabian Aquifer System, and
  - f. Providing informed advice to member states through the framework described in clause 4;
2. **Calls upon** the AWRAAC to meet annually at a summit to discuss matters of implementation of studies and shared analysis tools that would allow,
  - a. The study of measurements of water intake and checking water quality,
  - b. Water structure designs, harmonization, compensation, and harm mitigation,
  - c. Joint projects such as investments in other countries' interests, and
  - d. Agreements over implementing the convenient setups (such as departments) for monitoring such projects;
3. **Decides** that emergency or unscheduled meetings of the AWRAAC will be put into place in the case of, but not limited to,
  - a. Unexpected floods,
  - b. Dangerous environmental changes related to climate change,

- c. Droughts, and
  - d. Toxic chemical or industrial leaks;
4. **Creates** the Arab League Water Security Framework (ALWSF) , which will direct the AWRAAC, with, but not limited to, the following,
- a. Following the model of the Cooperative Framework Agreement (CFA)
  - b. The creation of a database with the purposes of,
    - i. Sharing the information gathered by the AWRAAC in order to,
      - 1. Educating member states on the aforementioned division of water, and
      - 2. Involving individual citizens and citizen organizations in promoting responsible water usage, and
    - ii. Using aforementioned research to inform individual member states on best practices moving forward,
  - c. Advising member states on how to handle water disputes and better cooperate over shared water resources, and
  - d. Sharing results with participating member states through an online platform, that can be accessed by the general public for greater awareness of the usage of water resources;
5. **Urges** member-states to take into consideration all information and counsel provided by the AWRAAC via the ALWSF and annual summit meetings;
6. **Requests** that each country elects experienced and qualified researchers to the annual summit in order to,
- a. Collect and analyze data, and
  - b. Collaborate with each other and disseminate information gained from the said summit, paying in mind the interests of each state represented; and
7. **Establishes** that funds for these programs come from, but are not limited to,
- a. Willing and able member states, and
  - b. Any relevant NGOs and IFBOs.