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### **Implementing Action to Reduce the Reliance on, and use of Coal**

The United Nations Environmental Programme,

*Bearing in mind* that every nation state member of this body of pledged to meet the United Nations Millennium Development Goals by 2015,

*Recalling* that Millennium Development Goal Number 7 is to Ensure environmental sustainability,

*Taking into account* the successful results of the Montréal Protocol in reducing 96 percent of all ozone depleting substances that has not only hindered but also reversed this environmental catastrophe,

*Further recognizing* that the Montreal Protocol is an example of International cooperation and success in environmental sustainability,

*Emphasizing* the fact that the combustion of coal adds a significant amount of carbon dioxide to the atmosphere even more than other fossil fuels according to official statistics from the United States Energy Information Administration,

*Hoping* to find greener energy solutions to replace the global reliance on coal,

1. *Supports* the suggestions of Millennium Development Goal Number 7 to introduce measures and mechanisms to reduce global greenhouse gas emissions by reducing the worldwide use of coal;
2. *Calls upon* all G-8 nations and other developed nations to reduce their reliance on coal as an energy source because these industrialized nations are more financially capable of doing so;
3. *Urges* for the for the continued research of clean coal technologies and the support for more global development in this area;
4. *Encourages* all nations to support the sharing of information on greener energy sources and technology;
5. *Appeals* to all nations to recognize that the use of coal is directly causing outstanding amounts of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions that results in the harmful effects of global warming that further creates unstable climate change and unsustainability.