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Topic: Addressing fertilizer shortages and their impact on global food security

Aware of all the help the UN has provided in respect of the issue of food security and the number of people affected by the shortage of fertilizer,

Emphasizing the organizations that the UN has created to contribute to helping with global food insecurity,

Deeply concerned about the 673 million people going without food daily, mainly affecting countries such as Sudan, Somalia, South Sudan, Yemen, and Haiti,

Emphasizing that overuse and underuse of fertilizers require differentiated, region-specific responses,

1. Encourages the adoption of precision agriculture practices, including:
  - i. Soil testing
  - ii. Crop-specific nutrient application
  - iii. Controlled-release fertilizers;
2. Calls for increased investment in low-emission and alternative fertilizer production methods as supplements to conventional fertilizers, such as:
  - i. Green ammonia
  - ii. Biofertilizers;
3. Requests Member States to avoid unnecessary export restrictions and trade disruptions that threaten food security in vulnerable regions;
4. Urges Member States to reduce sanctions on large fertilizer producers affected by such sanctions and to consider that the issue is less political and more humanitarian;
5. Suggests educating fertilizer consumers and farmers about precision agriculture to reduce fertilizer waste;
6. Supports FAO-led technical assistance and capacity building programs to improve nutrient management and fertilizer access for smallholder farmers, particularly in developing and import-dependent countries;
7. Recommends collaboration with FAO and UN policies to increase food security, in order to support humanitarian aid and because of strategic, economic, and moral considerations;
8. Urges other countries to donate to UN-registered organizations such as:
  - i. World Food Programme (WFP)
  - ii. Zero Hunger Challenge;
9. Advises countries to reduce the use of particularly harmful pesticides such as:

- i. Pyrethroids

- ii. Soil fumigants;

10. Recognizes the importance of stabilizing energy markets and recognizing energy and fertilizer production are dependent on each other:

- i. Recommends FAO to acknowledge prices of energy and try to stabilize or lower energy prices for fertilizer production