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Topic: Securing Water

Water is significant for human. Water can help for productivity and domestic uses. There are many different water issues that are facing over decades, generally they are in five issues. The particular issue is urgent in both lack of fresh water and water pollution. With the growing trends of population growth and climate change, the situation is getting worse, and only 1.6 billion people live in countries with absolute water security. This is an issue that calls for the efforts by all member states.

The problem cannot be solved only if every member state corroborates with each other. Although France is a developed country, France is also facing the problem of water security. For example, France is facing the problem of flooding. If flooding occurs too often, it is a risk for both economic and social loss. Due to climate change and population growth, it is more likely to see water security will be one of the global issues.

France is supportive of all of the international policies that benefit to human, and France's government is always making effort to improve our people 'water security'. In the year 2013, there are more than 99% of families in France that have access to water pipes and more than 80% of people are confident of the water supply. It is a successful example to member states and France will continue to make it better.

France requests international collaboration in water security by proposing the following:

1. Responsibilities of Integrated Water Resource Management (IWRM)

Countries with higher water treatment technologies and better resources, including France and other developed countries, are highly encouraged to set up and send any professionals to developing countries.

2. Funding of short-term aids in countries for flooding and droughts

France believes that some of the developing countries are easily affected by flooding or drought, most of them need special aids for providing water to citizens. France urges for funding from developed countries and NGOs to provide clean and standardised drinking water for daily uses.

Once again, France calls for international collaboration to build up a sustainable and satiate water supply for people.

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Topic: Precaution and Response to Oil Spills

Oil is one of the resources for electricity, more than a half of countries rely on it, however the safety issue of oil spills is always in concern and takes an issue. During the extraction, there are many organic compounds released and there will be water pollution, in case, it will lead to cancer and affect human health.

Other than human health, there are also a serious problem by oil spills, the environmental issue of oil spills is one of the most concerns by different governments and environmental groups, the ecosystems are destroyed by offshore infrastructure and the spilling oils. It will also affect both ecosystems and food chains of animals and human beings.

France is urging for the international collaboration on the issue of oil spills, so as to protect and save the sea and the sustainability of resources.

France is supportive of all of the international policies that benefit to humans, and France's government is always making efforts to improve the environment and ecosystem, and make it less happen.

France requests international collaboration in precaution and response to oil spills by proposing the following:

1. Penalties for international oil companies while in accident

This is a way as to punish the companies that using not oil spills in not suitable way and those penalties can use for clean up the accident and public education.

2. Set up a research funding for technology on Exploitation and develop natural resources

The trends for being sustainable is use of natural resources, as France, Tidal energy is one of the resources for producing energy, it is a more sustainable method and not rely to other resources.

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