

# RESOLUTION XV – FEDERAL DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF ETHIOPIA

THEME : SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

CONCERN : THE ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW MEASURES HAVING THE PROTECTION OF THE BEES AS THE OBJECTIVE

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

Forced	to recognize that the bee extinction is near and problematic,
Knowing	that the causes of the bees' death are only augmenting, for instance the usage of pesticides on agricultural fields, air pollution, the disappearance of non-toxic food, the invasion of new predatory species and the destruction of their natural habitat due to urbanization,
Saddened	to see that a huge part of our apiculture and agriculture is threatened by this tragedy,
Frightened	that humanity's survival will be considerably affected by this disappearance, as bees are a necessary contributor to 35% of global food production,
Noting	that bees are responsible for the reproduction of more than 80% of flowering plants and are as such an indispensable asset in the maintenance of our ecosystems,
Scared	that, were our ecosystems' balance to collapse, it would have an even graver impact than we can imagine with disastrous consequences for the entirety of our green planet,
Decides	to found an international convention which will guarantee the establishment of a program benefitting the bees which states that each member nation must commit to respecting the following points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- the creation of a committee, directed by the expert of each nation on the subject;</li><li>- to train local experts, supervised by the committee, who will advise and help peasants, farmers or anyone who wants to participate in the conservation and contribute to the bees' survival;</li><li>- to install official informative platforms accessible to the general public;</li><li>- to finance this training with the aid of a small tax imposed on all industries that have flowers as a base product;</li><li>- to set up another tax on farmers who use particularly toxic pesticides, classified by the committee, which will be used to reward farmers who do not use pesticides at all or use non-toxic pesticides with only a repulsive effect rather than a lethal one.</li></ul>

*The French text is binding.*