



Forum for 21st century **on Green Solutions**

Proposals:

The delegation of the USA would like to thank the Forum for the 21st century for its proposals concerning the Green Act. We appreciate the initiative of creating the Green Act Fund which will finance the large-scale mitigation projects in the developing world and other projects and programs dealing with crucial environmental issues.

The delegation of the USA agrees with suggested organizational structure of the Green Act Fund, but to avoid the misunderstandings, we would like to clarify the following questions:

1. **What are the concrete criteria** which will divide the countries into donors/recipients e.g. developed/developing countries.

³⁵₁₇ Many criteria which are dividing the countries into these two groups differ from each other. Therefore we would like the Forum for the 21st century to specify these criteria in purpose to avoid possible misunderstandings during forthcoming negotiations.

2. We agree with the limit that no single donor could have more than 1/3 of the votes in deciding bodies of the fund but we would like the Forum for the 21st century to be more **specific about the voting procedures** (qualified majority, negative consensus etc.).

³⁵₁₇ In order to assess the efficiency of the Green Act Fund we would like to know how the future projects and programs will be approved.

3. We accept the contribution in amount of 30 billion USD for the years 2013-2020 considering the size of the economy but we would like the Forum for the 21st century to **clarify the criteria of assessing** the “size of the economy”.

³⁵₁₇ As it was already mentioned in the first remark, there are various criteria as well, which are determining the size of economy. Therefore we ask for specifying these criteria or to introduce the calculation of contribution based on “size of economy” criteria.

4. We hadn't agreed with Kyoto treaty, because it would have been a dramatic reduction in energy use in our country and would have caused a catastrophic effect on the American economy.

³⁵₁₇ American economy has grown since 1990 and USA would have had to cut its emissions much more than other countries for the same period. The way that the Kyoto treaty was designed, fourteen out of twenty of the top emitting countries would not have to limit their emissions. By not requiring these countries to reduce their emissions, it would damage any attempts by other countries to reduce their emissions.

5. We doubt, that we could find ourselves in one of these groups, because we need above stated questions to be responded, that are crucial to start thinking about determining ourselves in the options.

The delegation of the United States welcomes the effort of The Forum of 21st century to make the Green Act effective by system of sanctions. We will be ready to discuss the system of sanctions as soon as our above stated remarks are responded.