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**Briefing Paper for the General Assembly:  
Addressing the Issue Promoting Renewable Energies**

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**Introduction:**

It is clear that fossil fuel based energy causes harm to the environment, and there are already alternatives that cause less or no harm. The problem that is prevalent throughout the world is the supply and logistics of renewable energies. Many under-developed countries have insufficient resources and technology to properly use renewable energy. The United Nations has the power to set standards for cleaner energy sources and ultimately make renewable energies a universal infrastructure. The goal of this committee is to make plans and protocols for the more efficient global use of cleaner energies.

**Definition of Key Terms:**

**Renewable Energy:** Energy from a source that is not depleted when used, such as wind or solar panels.

**Fossil Fuels:** A natural fuel such as coal or gas, formed in the geological past from the remains of living organisms.

**MEDC/LEDC's:** More/Less economically developed countries

**General Overview:**

Recently Google has invested \$1 billion towards renewable energy. Their company is currently running on 34% renewable energy, however wishes to increase their output to 100% clean energy. Large companies have the resources necessary in order to implement these changes; however, many governments do

not. Setting up the framework for renewable energies is just as important as discussing cutting-edge technology, because without logistics and structure many LEDC's won't have any access to possible beneficial alternatives to provide clean power.

The benefits of Renewable energies can be seen not only in its clean nature, but also in its ability to provide medium amounts of energy to rural communities from a relative short distance. This cuts down on extra pollution and the prices for carrying energy longer distances. However, implementing these systems in these areas and LEDC's can prove to be troublesome form an economic standpoint. Also, as customary and obvious in MUN, politics surround this topic greatly as world leaders debate and argue on global regulations on fossil fuels and changing the status quo of energy.

The general assembly format will allow delegates to collaborate together in order to develop possible solutions to the energy crisis. The committee consists of delegates from all levels of experience so the chairs expect to see experienced delegates helping passive or new delegates get in to the discussion. Resolutions will be formulated after debate and discussion of sub-topics that can be instigated by any delegate. Individuals will be considered for rewards by contributing to the general discussion, being involved with writing resolutions, and by coming prepared.

#### Countries and Organizations Involved:

Russia, Japan, USA, China, Brazil, Canada, Germany, India, Norway

#### Expectations:

Due to the fact that renewable energy is a broad topic, delegates are strongly recommended to write a position paper and come to the conference prepared with specific actions that could be taken place in order to improve the current market of clean power. Delegates that wish to win awards are also strongly recommended to send their position paper to the chairs in advance or turn it in the day off. All delegates should have a general knowledge of the benefits and limitations of renewable resources in order to keep the discussion realistic and allow for more a more in-depth analysis for the future of clean energies.