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Ensuring sustainable food security in times of crisis: strengthening resilience and access to food

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In the draft resolution, after paragraph 9, insert the following paragraph:

"As experience in times of crisis repeatedly demonstrates, resilience depends on sovereign productive capacity, the ability of peoples and nations to feed themselves through their own agriculture, supported by diverse local and regional supply chains, productive farming and food production and manufacturing capability and well-paid and supported workforces, supported by strong workers' rights. The Assembly therefore considers that strengthening sovereign and local food production capability is a key condition of stable and secure access to food, in times of peace as in times of war."

Explanatory note

This strengthens the food-sovereignty principle which already concedes that crises amplify structural vulnerabilities and that the human right to food should be prioritised. It strengthens the central lesson of the Ukraine analysis, that export strength is no guarantee of resilience.

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