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**GM Notes:**

1. Fairtrade ensures better prices, decent working conditions, local sustainability, and fair terms of trade for farmers and workers in the developing world.
2. The Scottish Government has ambitions for Scotland to become a fair-trade nation. Some of the measurable criteria for them to achieve include:
  - To increase awareness of Fair Trade and surrounding issues
  - To increase the sale of Fair Trade products
  - To contribute to greater trade justice
  - To engender a meaningful commitment to Fairtrade from Parliament and executive bodies
3. The Union and the University has entered into a pilot scheme for the new Fairtrade Universities and Colleges Award.



**GM Believes:**

1. Fairtrade should be supported in order to enhance the standing and reputation of University of Stirling and the University of Stirling Students' Union, highlight unjust international trade rules and to provide a practical alternative to farmers in the global south.
2. By being a Fairtrade institution and fulfilling the criteria set out by the Fairtrade Foundation we contribute to helping global communities in the south work their out of poverty.
3. The Union has a responsibility to increase the awareness of Fairtrade products in and beyond the Union.

**GM Resolves:**

1. To actively support the actioning of the criteria set out by the Fairtrade Foundation as set out by the Fairtrade Universities and Colleges Award.
2. To work with the University to ensure that it fulfils its commitments to the criteria set out by the Fairtrade Foundation within the Fairtrade Universities and Colleges Award.
3. To support representatives from the Union to sit on and work with the University Fairtrade Steering Group.
4. To actively campaign for increased Fairtrade consumption across campus, both in commercial settings and Union groups, through promotional events activities, materials and policies.