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ORGANIZATIONAL SESSION

GENEVA, 15-16 MAY 1984

Item 2 of the Provisional Agenda

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1984-05-15

ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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1. Opening of the Organizational Session

The Organizational Session will be opened by the Chairman of the Commission at 10.00 a.m. on Tuesday, 15 May, 1984, in the 'EFTA Building', rue Varembé 9-10, Geneva.
The Chairman of the Commission will make an opening address.

2. Adoption of the Agenda (WCED/84/1/Rev.1; WCED/84/1 Add 1/Rev.1)

The Commission will consider and adopt an Agenda for the Organizational Session on the basis of the Provisional Agenda and any revisions proposed thereto.

3. Formal establishment of the Commission3.1 Rules of Procedure (WCED/84/2/Rev.1)

The Chairman will propose some basic Rules of Procedure for the Commission for consideration and adoption by the Commission.

3.2 Financial Regulations (WCED/84/3/Rev.1)3.3 Staff Rules (WCED/84/3 Add 1/Rev.1)

The Chairman will propose a set of Financial Regulations and Staff Rules for consideration and adoption by the Commission.

4. Terms of Reference for the Commission (WCED/84/4)

The Commission has the responsibility to formulate and

adopt its own Terms of Reference. In the resolution 38/161 (paragraphs 8,9) the General Assembly of the United Nations suggested some elements to be considered by the Commission in the formulation of its Terms of Reference.

The Chairman will submit to the Commission a background paper (WCED/84/4) for discussion at the Organizational Session.

Draft Terms of Reference will then be prepared for consideration and adoption by the Commission at its first Regular Session.

5. Work of the Commission

5.1 Key Issues to be addressed by the Commission

Each Member of the Commission will be asked to make a brief presentation of the key substantive issues they consider should be addressed by the Commission. These presentations and discussions will provide a basis for developing a report on key issues which will be submitted for detailed consideration and decision by the Commission at the first Regular Session.

5.2 Draft Workplan for the Commission (WCED/84/5)

The Chairman will submit a first Draft Workplan to the Commission for discussion. A detailed Workplan will then be prepared for consideration and adoption by the Commission at its first Regular Session.

5.3 Draft Timetable for the Commission (WCED/84/6)

The Chairman will submit a first Draft Timetable for the work of the Commission for consideration. A revised Timetable will be prepared on the basis of the discussions and submitted to the Members of the Commission for adoption at its First Regular Session.

6. Financial Matters

6.1 Preliminary Budget Estimates (WCED/84/7)

The Chairman will present Preliminary Budget Estimates to the Commission for consideration. On the basis of these considerations a detailed Draft Budget will be prepared for consideration and adoption by the Commission at the first Regular Session.

6.2 Resources and Fund Raising (WCED/84/8)

The Chairman will present to the Commission a summary report on financial pledges and other resource commitments made so far to support the work of the Commission. Members will be asked to suggest and discuss other possible sources and ways for securing additional funds and resources to support the work of the Commission.

7. First Regular Session of the Commission

7.1 Dates and place

It is proposed to hold the First Regular Session in late September or early October of 1984.

7.2 Provisional Agenda

Based on the comments and suggestions made by Members during the Organizational Session, the Chairman will propose a list of items to be included in the Provisional Agenda for the First Regular Session.

7.3 Other Arrangements

The Chairman will present as a basis for discussion a list of possible representatives of international organizations which could be invited to present their views on issues of relevance to the work of the Commission.

8. Other Business

PRELIMINARY LIST OF SOME OF THE MAJOR INTERNATIONAL
REPORTS OF RELEVANCE TO THE COMMISSION

NORTH-SOUTH: A PROGRAMME FOR SURVIVAL

The Report of the Independent Commission on International Development Issues, London: Pan Books, 1980.

WORLD CONSERVATION STRATEGY

Prepared by the International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources (IUCN) with the advice, co-operation and financial assistance of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and the World Wildlife Fund (WWF), Gland: IUCN, 1980.

THE WORLD ENVIRONMENT 1972-1982

A report by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), prepared for the GC Session of a Special Character in 1982. Edited by Martin Holdgate, Mohammed Kassas and Gilbert F. White: Tycooly International, 1982.

ECONOMIC AND ECOLOGICAL INTERDEPENDENCE: A REPORT ON
SELECTED ENVIRONMENT AND RESOURCE ISSUES

A report prepared by the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), Paris: OECD, 1982.

THE ENVIRONMENT IN 1982: RETROSPECT AND PROSPECT

UNEP Report UNEP/GC(SSC)/2, 1982.

COMMON SECURITY: A PROGRAMME FOR DISARMAMENT

The Report of the Independent Commission on Disarmament and Security Issues, London: Pan Books, 1982.

COMMON CRISIS NORTH-SOUTH: CO-OPERATION FOR WORLD
RECOVERY

The Brandt Commission 1983, London: Pan Books, 1983

ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH AND MANAGEMENT PRIORITIES
FOR THE 1980's

Report and Conclusions of the International Scientific
Conference convened by the Royal Swedish Academy of
Sciences, AMBIO, Volume XII, Number 2, 1983.

THE STATE OF THE WORLD ENVIRONMENT, 1972-1982

UNEP Report UNEP/GC (SSC)/INF.2, 1982.