## 2. The International Biological Programme

*Following* the Resolution on the preparation of an International Biological Programme (IBP) of the 8th General Assembly (No 2) made in 1963 and

noting the development of the IBP towards the operative phase which will run from July 1967 until 1972

*noting* also that several sections of the Programme are concerned with subjects of the greatest importance to IUCN, greatly enhancing the scientific basis for conversation on the land, in fresh waters and in the sea

the 9th General Assembly of IUCN meeting in Lucerne in June 1966

reaffirms its previous decision to give all practicable support and

**resolves** now to offer IBP the formal status of an international member organization under Article II.1.(c) of the Union's Statutes, thus ensuring that its representatives at IUCN meetings have the full rights and privileges of delegates.