

14. The Mikeno Area of the Albert National Park and the Chain of the Virunga Volcanoes Generally

Taking note of the problems involved in the protection and management of the slopes of the Virunga volcanoes, a small part of which lies within the Gorilla Sanctuary of Uganda and the remainder in the Albert National Park, partly in Rwanda and partly in the Kivu province of Congo (Kinshasa)

aware that to be effective such surveillance needs concerted action on the part of the governments of the Congo, Rwanda and Uganda

informed that as a result of his journey in the company of the Minister of Agriculture of the Congo in May 1966 Dr. K. Curry-Lindahl (Swedish member of the International Commission on National Parks) has suggested to the Government at Kinshasa — whose first reactions have been favourable — that the three governments should arrange a joint meeting to work out such concerted action

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recommends that the three governments agree to organize such a conference and that, under the auspices of IUCN and its Parks Commission, they should invite an ecologist to help with the preparation of the conference by carrying out a two or three months' reconnaissance in the area, with the aid of funds obtained for example under the CT Section of the International Biological Programme.