

#### **4. Environmental effects of sulphur dioxide pollution**

*CONSIDERING* the large-scale and growing devastating effects of industrial and domestic emissions of sulphur dioxide on aquatic habitats and species, including across national boundaries, mainly in Northern Europe and North America;

*RECOGNIZING* the risk of undesirable long-term effects on other habitats and species;

*APPRECIATING* the ongoing efforts of international bodies, such as ECE, CMEA and OECD, and of national governments to map these effects, to identify distribution and fall-out patterns of sulphur dioxide and to seek solutions to the problems;

**The General Assembly of IUCN**, at its 14th Session, Ashkhabad, USSR, 26 September -5 October 1978:

URGES the international bodies and national governments concerned, mainly in Europe and North America:

- To reduce the emissions of sulphur dioxide into the air;
- to continue investigations into the environmental aspects of sulphur dioxide; and
- to establish as soon as possible international agreements for control of air pollution.