

21. Gorges du Verdon

CONSIDERING that fauna and flora of exceptional significance for Europe may be found in the geologically unique site of the Gorges du Verdon, and that this site has been listed in the French Inventory of Sites for its cultural value;

NOTING that a large hydroelectric project is envisaged which would have serious consequences for this site, its flora and fauna;

CONSCIOUS that energy production is one of the most significant of current problems;

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

URGES all concerned authorities to choose the alternative that is the least damaging to the natural heritage of France.