28. Regulation of the Ivory Trade in Zaire

CONCERNED that ivory-poaching threatens the survival of many populations of the African elephant (Loxodonta africana);

RECOGNIZING the strict legislation to prevent the illicit export of ivory from Zaire;

AWARE that ivory from Zaire is still being imported into other nations, some of which are Parties to the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES);

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

URGES all nations importing ivory to cooperate with the Government of Zaire in enforcing strict control over the ivory trade;

CALLS UPON all governments involved in ivory trading to assist the IUCN Elephant Ivory Study by supplying information on the trade.