

18.64 Conservation Measures within the Papua New Guinea Tropical Forestry Action Plan

WELCOMING the conservation component of the Papua New Guinea Tropical Forestry Action Plan (TFAP) as subsequently refined and adopted by the Papua New Guinea Government through the Executive Council, which includes the designation of between 20-30 per cent of the nation's land and marine areas as conservation areas, and the adoption of a comprehensive education and support programme involving all affected landowners;

NOTING that the Government of Papua New Guinea, and non-governmental organizations associated with the TFAP process in Papua New Guinea, are designing a version of the TFAP particularly suited to the Papua New Guinea situation in addressing biodiversity, protected areas design and community-based alternative forest utilization projects;

The General Assembly of IUCN—The World Conservation Union, at its 18th Session in Perth, Australia, 28 November-5 December 1990:

1. REQUESTS the Director General to use his good offices to urge international donors to support and assist the conservation component of Papua New Guinea's Tropical Forestry Action Plan and to ensure that all provisions are implemented in a manner most beneficial in supporting the goals of the Papua New Guinea Constitution and IUCN;
INVITES the Government of Papua New Guinea to place under immediate moratorium from major development the areas of grave concern identified by the conservation component of the Papua New Guinea Tropical Forestry Action Plan as of paramount conservation value, but under immediate threat of timber, mining or other development, until they have been duly evaluated through the Tropical Forestry Action Plan process.