19.8 IUCN Headquarters

RECALLING the discussion during the 17th Session of the General Assembly, held in San Jose, Costa Rica, 1-10 February 1988, at which the acceptance by the Council of the offer by the Governments of the Swiss Confederation and the Canton of Vaud to provide a new Head-quarters for IUCN was recorded with deep appreciation;

NOTING that a site has been provided on generous terms by the Commune of Gland and that the completed building, financed by the generous donations of the Governments of the Swiss Confederation and the Canton of Vaud, and furnished and equipped with the help of generous contributions from a number of IUCN members was opened by Mr Rene Felber, the President of the Swiss Confederation, on 3 November 1992;

CONSCIOUS that the excellent facilities provided in the new Headquarters have greatly aided the work of the IUCN Secretariat and of the Ramsar Bureau which is also located there;

The General Assembly of IUCN - The World Conservation Union, at its 19th Session in Buenos Aires, Argentina, 17-26 January 1994:

- RECORDS its deep gratitude to the Swiss Confederation, the Canton of Vaud and the Commune of Gland for their generosity;
- 2. FURTHER RECORDS its appreciation to all those IUCN members and well-wishers who have contributed to the Headquarters building.