

## 19.45 Wetlands—Wildlife Research

CONSIDERING the conclusions regarding wetland environments reached at the Second Regional Wetlands Workshop, during the Third Meeting of IUCN South American Members;

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

1. CALLS UPON all governments concerned to propose the realization of a new, more thorough, study for the particular case of the Parana-Paraguay Waterway;
2. CALLS UPON all governments:
  - (a) to support research projects designed to obtain basic biological information on native wetland plants and animals of commercial interest as a basis for sustainable non-traditional use and for the conservation of those which are threatened;
  - (b) to promote interaction between IUCN and governmental and non-governmental institutions in the planning and management of protected areas which include wetlands;
  - (c) to contribute to the training of specialists in wetlands, wetland restoration and the management of protected areas (through grants to participate in courses, workshops, internships, and the exchange of experts);
  - (d) to promote the creation of regional networks on wetland protected areas to encourage, *inter alia*, cooperation in research and the training of specialists, exchange of expertise and information, and strengthening of actions to protect and conserve threatened areas.

