19.24 Environmental Education

NOTING of the contents of the Belgrade Charter of 1975, which stresses the importance of environmental education in the generation of a new universal ethic which will permit the harmonious co-existence of humanity and nature;

AWARE of the resolution on environmental education adopted by the first meeting of South American members of IUCN held at Chorlavf, Ecuador, in 1990, and of the recommendations of the second meeting at Santa Marta, Colombia, in 1991 and the third at Parati, Brazil, in 1992;

CONSIDERING that environmental education is the fundamental basis guaranteeing the participation of communities in the process of conservation of natural resources and the improvement of the quality of life and of the environment;

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

1. CALLS UPON the Director General, within available resources, to include environmental education as a fundamental component of the projects which IUCN designs, approves and/or executes;

2. CALLS UPON the Commission Chairs also to take action to this end.