

2.96 Earth Charter and draft International Covenant

NOTING the consultations conducted by the Earth Council, since the 1992 United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, to prepare an Earth Charter;

AWARE of the collaboration between IUCN's Commission on Environmental Law, through its Ethics Working Group, and the drafters of the Earth Charter; and

RECALLING Recommendation 1.66 *Draft International Covenant on Environment and Development*, which was adopted by the 1st Session of the World Conservation Congress (Montreal, 1996);

The World Conservation Congress at its 2nd Session in Amman, Jordan, 4–11 October 2000:

REQUESTS the Director General, in consultation with IUCN members and Commissions, to:

- (a) examine and review the Earth Charter, with particular reference to Recommendation 1.66 adopted by the 1st Session of the World Conservation Congress, and bearing in mind the provisions of *The World Conservation Strategy* and *Caring for the Earth*; and
- (b) make a recommendation to members at the 3rd Session of the World Conservation Congress on the appropriate response of IUCN to the Earth Charter.

This Recommendation was adopted by consensus. State and Agency members United States abstained from the adoption by consensus of this Recommendation.