2.26 Preparing for Rio+10

RECALLING the 1972 United Nations Conference on The Human Environment, held at Stockholm, which first emphasized the preservation and enhancement of the human environment, and the 1992 UN Conference on Environment and Development, held in Rio de Janeiro, which pushed forward the concept of sustainable development;

RECOGNIZING that the implementation of the principles set forth in *Agenda 21* are indispensable in order to prevent further worldwide deterioration of the environment; and

AWARE that the 55th UN General Assembly is to deal with the outcome of the review of the implementation of *Agenda 21* and to address the major challenges to sustainable development;

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

- 1. URGES IUCN's Council, Commissions, and Secretariat to undertake all steps necessary in order to ensure that IUCN will be able to offer valuable input, both in preparations for, and during, the Rio+10 Conference;
- 2. REQUESTS all IUCN's members to mobilize their efforts, and where possible to coordinate their activities, in order to contribute to a productive and successful conclusion of the forthcoming conference;
- 3. REQUESTS the Director General, subject to funds becoming available, to form a Working Group that also allows NGOs to network and organize themselves to take part in Rio+10 and in the preparatory conferences.