

### **REC 3.082 The Extractive Industries Review**

RECALLING Recommendation 2.82 *Protection and conservation of biological diversity of protected areas from the negative impacts of mining and exploration* adopted by the 2<sup>nd</sup> IUCN World Conservation Congress (Amman, 2000), which calls on IUCN State members to prohibit by law any extractive industry activities in IUCN Management Category I-IV protected areas, and Recommendation V.28 *Protected Areas: Mining and Energy* noted by the V<sup>th</sup> IUCN World Parks Congress (Durban, 2003) reaffirming IUCN members' commitment to Recommendation 2.82;

NOTING that Result 4.6 of the IUCN *Intersessional Programme 2005–2008* establishes IUCN's commitment to encouraging multinational businesses to support biodiversity conservation;

NOTING furthermore that Result 5.5 of the IUCN *Intersessional Programme 2005–2008* establishes IUCN's commitment to ensuring that governance structures take into account the rights, responsibilities, and interests of stakeholders and allow for their participation in decision-making;

RECOGNIZING that the World Bank has recently completed an independent review process concerning its investments in the extractive industries sector and that the International Finance Corporation has begun a process of reviewing its safeguard policies;

CONCERNED that the World Bank may fail to implement key recommendations in the *Extractive Industries Review* that are of strategic relevance to IUCN members and the IUCN Programme; and

COMMENDING the World Bank for having undertaken a comprehensive review of its investments in the extractive industries sector;

The World Conservation Congress at its 3<sup>rd</sup> Session in Bangkok, Thailand, 17–25 November 2004:

1. CALLS upon the World Bank to implement the following *Extractive Industries Review* recommendations:

(a) establish IUCN Management Category I–IV protected areas as 'no go' zones for extractive industry development, consistent with IUCN Recommendation 2.82;

(b) revise the International Finance Corporation's *Critical Natural Habitats Safeguard Policy* to include IUCN Management Category I-IV protected areas as part of a minimum set of 'no go' zones;

(c) pay special attention to ensure that the rights of indigenous peoples to their lands, territories and resources are respected when choosing and designing an off-set area;

(d) develop criteria and indicators for identifying additional 'no go' zones through the Safeguard Policy Review process;

(e) agree to respect the right of free, prior, and informed consent of indigenous peoples and local communities affected by extractive industry development; and

(f) agree to a process for identifying governance criteria that addresses transparency, access to information, access to redress, and additional key conditions required to ensure that extractive industry development contributes to poverty reduction in developing countries;

2. CALLS upon other international financial institutions, including Export Credit Agencies, to support and implement the *Extractive Industries Review* through adoption of these recommendations; and

3. REQUESTS the IUCN Director General to show support for these recommendations in a letter to the President of the World Bank.

The Department of State, United States, provided the following statement for the record:

*State and agency members United States refrained from engaging in deliberations on this motion and took no national government position on the motion as adopted for reasons given in the US General Statement on the IUCN Resolution Process.*