4.070 Sustainable mountain development

RECALLING Resolution 2.45 Conservation of mountain ecosystems in Europe adopted by the 2nd IUCN World Conservation Congress (Amman, 2000) and Resolution 3.040 Transboundary cooperation in mountain areas adopted by the 3rd IUCN World Conservation Congress (Bangkok, 2004);

RECALLING Chapter 13 of Agenda 21;

RECALLING Resolutions 53/24, 55/189, 57/245, 58/216, 60/189 and 62/196 of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA);

NOTING the success of the International Year of the Mountains, the implementation of the Alpine Convention, the entry into force of the Carpathian Convention and the establishment of the International Partnership for Sustainable Development of Mountain Regions (the 'Mountain Partnership'; and

CONGRATULATING the success of those involved in these processes;

The World Conservation Congress at its 4th Session in Barcelona, Spain, 5-14 October 2008:

1. ASKS the Member States of the Alpine Convention and the Carpathian Convention to take an objective and effective position favouring simplified compliance procedures;

In addition, the World Conservation Congress, at its 4th Session in Barcelona, Spain, 5-14 October 2008, provides the following guidance concerning implementation of the *IUCN Programme* 2009-2012:

 REQUESTS the Director General to support and assist in the development of the necessary legally binding instruments, as appropriate, for vulnerable mountainous regions in other parts of the world.

State and agency members of the United States abstained during the vote on this motion.