

2.49 Strategic Framework for IUCN in Mesoamerica

RECOGNIZING that IUCN's work in Mesoamerica has received significant support from the three primary components of the Union: the Secretariat, members, and Commissions;

RECALLING that at the 1st World Conservation Congress, (Montreal, 1996), IUCN – Mesoamerica presented the '1997–2000 Mesoamerica Programme', which promoted the integration of the three components;

RECOGNIZING that the '1997–2000 Mesoamerica Programme' was implemented with the support of the three components in an exemplary process of integration for IUCN in the region, a process that should be strengthened and consolidated;

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT that with the approval of the new IUCN Statutes, IUCN's Council recognizes four of the eight National Committees in Mesoamerica and the establishment of the Regional Forum; and

MINDFUL that the IUCN members attending the 5th Mesoamerican Regional Forum, held in Guatemala City, October 1999, reaffirmed their interest in continuing to develop the process initiated and defined in a *Strategic Framework in Mesoamerica*, which shall apply until the 3rd World Conservation Congress;

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

1. APPROVES the *Strategic Framework in Mesoamerica* until the next World Conservation Congress;
2. REQUESTS the Director General's support for implementing the *Strategic Framework in Mesoamerica*;
2. URGES IUCN's Council to provide follow-up on the implementation of the *Strategic Framework in Mesoamerica* through the regional councillors;
4. URGES the IUCN Commissions to support the implementation of the *Strategic Framework in Mesoamerica*.