

United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification

Fifth Regional Meeting of the Countries of Latin America and the Caribbean on the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification

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FINAL REPORT

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I. Background

1. The Regional Annex for Latin America and the Caribbean of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification establishes the need to convene regional meetings to strengthen cooperation and interchange between the Parties and for application of the Regional Implementation Annex.

2. In this context, the member countries of Latin America have held four regional meetings, in Argentina, Mexico and Havana and St. John's Antigua and Barbuda with the purpose of identifying priority actions and to establish and develop subregional and regional cooperation through a Regional Action Programme to combat desertification.

3. This Regional Meeting for Latin America and the Caribbean on the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification was convened by the Secretariat to the Convention in collaboration with the Government of Peru and organized in two parts: (a) in the first place, the Second Workshop for Focal Points on the Convention from Latin America and the Caribbean, held in Lima, Peru on 9 August 1999; and (b) the Fifth Regional Meeting held in Lima from 10 to 12 August 1999.

II. Objectives of the Meeting

4. The objectives of the Fifth Regional Meeting of the Latin American and Caribbean countries were as follows:

- to exchange experiences on the elaboration and implementation of National Action Programmes;
- to review the progress made by the Secretariat on the implementation of the Convention in the region;
- to examine project proposals in the framework of the Regional Action Programme;
- to strengthen the mechanisms for inter-agency cooperation.

III. Participation

5. All the governments of Latin America and the Caribbean, regional and subregional intergovernmental organizations, agencies of the United Nations system and non-governmental organizations were invited. The meeting was attended by 52 government representatives from 19 countries of the region and 23 representatives of 8 international, regional and subregional organizations, non-governmental organizations and representatives of other sectors. A list of participants is included as **Annex II** of this document.

Agenda item 1: Official opening of the Meeting

6. The opening ceremony took place on Tuesday, 10 August 1999 at Del Pilar Hotel in Lima, Peru. Statements were made by Mrs. Aira Kalela, the Deputy Executive Secretary of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification and Drought and His Excellency Mr. Belisario de las Casas Piedra,

Minister of Agriculture, who on behalf of the Government of Peru declared the Fifth Regional Meeting for the countries of Latin America and the Caribbean, officially opened.

Agenda item 2: Organization of work

2.1 Election of officers

7. The Meeting decided that the Officers of the meeting should be as follows:

Chair: Peru (Ms. Josefina Takahashi Sato)

Deputy-Chair: Jamaica (Mr. Philbert Brown)

Rapporteur: Venezuela (Ms. Haydee de Briceño)

2.2 Adoption of the agenda for the Meeting

8. The Meeting adopted the provisional agenda without changes.

Agenda item 3: Report of the UNCCD Secretariat on the activities undertaken since the Fourth Regional Meeting held in Antigua and Barbuda

9. Mr. Oscar Oramas, representative of the Secretariat of the Convention, presented a report on the various activities undertaken by the UNCCD Secretariat in Latin America and the Caribbean in fulfilment of the decisions of the Fourth Regional Meeting held in St. John's Antigua and Barbuda in May 1998. He made particular reference to the official launching of the Regional Coordinating Unit in Mexico on the 3rd August 1999, and the signing of a host agreement between the Government of Mexico and the Secretariat of the Convention, as well as, a Memorandum of Understanding signed between the United Nations Environment Programme and the Secretariat of the Convention regarding the establishment and operation of the Regional Coordinating Unit.

10. Mr. Oramas underlined the generous financial contributions made by the Governments of Mexico, Argentina and Spain, the United Nations Environment Programme and the United Nations Development Programme for the functioning of the Unit, as well as the commitment of other organizations and donor countries to contribute financial resources with the same objective.

11. He also made reference to the support the Secretariat of the Convention and the Government of France have given for institutional capacity building in Haiti with the aim of strengthening institutional capacity for the formulation and implementation of its National Action Plan and the creation of a National Coordination Unit. He highlighted the importance of Colombia, Uruguay and Venezuela becoming Parties to the Convention, thereby making a total of 30 countries in the region which are Parties to the Convention and emphasized the need to encourage the membership of The Bahamas, Suriname and Trinidad and Tobago to make adherence in the region complete.

12. Finally, he informed of the other actions being implemented by the Secretariat of the Convention

relating to the formulation of project proposals sent to International Organizations for consideration; the establishment of the Regional Information Network; the elaboration of the report on traditional knowledge and practices; the development of new project proposals in the framework of the Regional Action Plan and the search for additional financial resources, among other relevant actions, he then pointed to the achievements of the Second Technical Workshop for Focal Points as evidence of the need to continue in this vein.

13. The participants expressed their approval of the actions taken and achievements made to-date in spite of the existing financial limitations and supported the continuation of regional efforts for the implementation of the Convention in Latin America and the Caribbean. They expressed thanks for the valuable technical and financial collaboration of the various agencies of the United Nations system in achieving the objectives of the Regional Action Programme and called on other regional and international bodies to support these efforts.

14. The representatives of Cuba and Argentina highlighted the importance of the contribution of the Government of Peru in the implementation of regional efforts concerning traditional knowledge and practices and explained that the report done by the experts of both countries on this subject was submitted at the meeting of the *Ad hoc* Group in Matera, Italy in July 1999.

15. The Nicaraguan representative submitted for the consideration of the Plenary a draft decision relating to projects for implementation of Regional Action Programme. This is included in **Annex 1** of this report.

16. The representative of the Dominican Republic spoke of the importance of the development of training and education programmes in this area, as well as the need to continue collaborating with the Government of Haiti in the fight against desertification. Finally, he requested the technical and financial support of the Secretariat of the Convention in the implementation of relevant activities relating to the reforms of public policies.

17. The representative of RIOD underlined the need to continue supporting non-governmental organizations in the realization of awareness activities in the fight against desertification at the local, national and regional level. He indicated the importance of the formation of subregional action programmes and the need to clearly establish the operating guidelines for the Regional Coordinating Unit including its working arrangements with the Regional Technical Committee and non-governmental organizations.

18. The representatives of Argentina and Paraguay spoke of the progress of the Gran Chaco Americano Subregional Action Plan. The representative of Bolivia also made a presentation regarding the progress of the Puna Americana Subregional Action Plan. The representative of the United Nations Environmental Programme promised financial support for the hosting of a meeting on coordination of the Puna Subregional Action Plan to take place in Cochabamba, Bolivia on the 11 and 12 October 1999. Lastly, the representative of Brazil reiterated their wish to participate in the Gran Chaco project given that part of the territory of Brazil is also in this region.

19. The representative of Venezuela spoke of the importance of the recent membership of that country to the Convention and the need to develop education programmes, as complementary actions to the activities in the fight against desertification.

20. The representative of Haiti requested the financial support of the Global Mechanism to continue the

development of the activities being implemented in his country in the fight against desertification, including the strengthening of the national coordinating unit and the awareness activities at the local and national level. He submitted for the consideration of the Plenary a draft decision concerning the activities of the Global Mechanism in the region which is included in **Annex 1** of the present report.

21. The representatives of the Global Mechanism reported on the activities being realised by his institution and the existing mechanisms for the approval of financial resources to support activities to combat desertification in the region.

22. The participants expressed their interest in having the Global Mechanism's support for regional initiatives such as the integral management of national and cross-border water sources, they stressed the importance of linking regional efforts with others being realised through other conventions such as the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.

Agenda item 4: Water Management Policies

23. Consultant Mr. Jorge Faustino Manco presented a paper on Management Systems for water committees as complementary activity in the fight against desertification and drought. The paper highlighted the importance of watersheds in the promotion of the conservation, management and sustainable use of natural resources, particularly in the prevention of the processes of erosion, deforestation, land degradation and in the sustainable use of water resources. It emphasized the need for community work at the local level, the strengthening of inter-institutional cooperation, the creation of "water committees", the development of education and public awareness programmes, the importance of water as strategic resource, the recovery of appropriate technology, a suitable legal framework and the establishment of a system of management for national and cross-border water resources among other priority activities.

Agenda item 5: Presentation of the Peruvian experiences on the management of water and soil conservation

24. Representative of the Ministry of Agriculture, Mr. Carlos Torres presented the experiences of his country in the management of water resources and soil conservation. He emphasized that the most pressing problems affecting the country are poverty and desertification, a situation which is very evident in the high zones of the Andes due to their topographic characteristics. He explained in detail the main environmental problems which affect the region such as soil erosion, overgrazing, deforestation, drought, contamination and salinisation, he also outlined the activities being implemented by the institution PRONAMACHCS in the area of management and administration of water resources and soil conservation in the country including the strengthening of institutional capacity of the local communities.

Agenda item 6: Presentation of the drafted document on the impact on coastal and land degradation of fragile ecosystems of Small Island States

25. Prior to the presentation of this agenda item, the participants welcomed the representative of Barbados.

26. The representatives of St. Kitts and Nevis, Argentina and Guyana, requested that the representative of Barbados be allowed to present the progress made in the formulation of the National Action Plan of his country.

The Chair of the meeting decided to leave space on the agenda to allow for the presentation of a summary on the experiences of Barbados in the formulation of the National Action Plan with the understanding that a more detailed presentation will be made during the Sixth Regional Meeting.

27. Mr. John Wilson, consultant of the Inter-American Development Bank presented an integrated perspective of the impact of land degradation on the coastal zones of the fragile ecosystems of small island states. He emphasized the need for the assistance of the Secretariat of the Convention in support of meetings in particular of technical experts of this region, to enable the continuing analysis of the impact of land degradation on the small islands of the Caribbean and the coastal marine areas of Latin America.

28. The participants thanked the Inter-American Development Bank for its valuable technical and financial contribution for the preparation of the mentioned paper. The Chair of the meeting submitted for the consideration of the Plenary a draft decision requiring the Secretariat of the Convention to request of the Inter-American Development Bank continued support for the development of the present project and its extension to cover all the countries of the Caribbean. This decision is included in **Annex 1** of the present report.

29. Mr. Jose Antonio Rodriguez representative of Cuba presented a summary of the experiences in water management and the prevention of land degradation in the Province of Guantanamo, as well as the adoption of measures focussing on the promotion of the economic development of agriculture and livestock activities in the zone. He placed special emphasis on the adoption of traditional knowledge and practices and the participation of local communities in the fight against desertification.

Agenda item 7: Presentation of the draft document on Public Policies

30. Mr. Gonzalo Chapela, consultant to the Secretariat of the Convention, presented a project proposal on the Harmonization of Public Policies, the principal objective of which is the utilization of the existing instruments in the region in the fight against desertification. He indicated that the harmonization of public policies implies diagnosis of the causes of the degradation of resources, the development of public policies, the formulation of proposals to reform and evaluate the cost and risk of their implementation. The proposal will have to be developed in the form of a pilot project in four countries of the region and through the formation of working groups, the exchange of information, the hosting of workshops, the selection of instruments and formulation of proposals for reform.

31. The participants expressed their total support for and the importance of continuing work on the development of this initiative, as well as, the need for adequate financial resources for its implementation in the region through the Regional Coordinating Unit of the Convention for Latin America and the Caribbean. They underlined the need to make the necessary changes to the draft in particular in relation to the budget, the identification of other sectoral policies, the economic valuation of natural resources and definition of the criteria for selection of the number of countries to participate in the implementation of the project. The need to ensure the internationalization of this initiative by linking it with others presently taking place such as those relating to the integral management of watersheds was also emphasized. The international organizations expressed their interest in supporting this project and in evaluating the possibility of contributing technical and financial resources.

32. Mr. Carlos Palin, consultant of the Inter-American Development Bank presented a paper on integral management system for local government through the decentralization of the system of governance, the

development of integral projects, the strengthening of institutional capacity and the participation of non-governmental organization in solving environmental problems such as land degradation and poverty.

33. Mr. Ricardo Marshall, representative of Barbados, reported on the efforts of his country in the formulation of its National Action Plan, including the results of the National Workshop on Land Degradation held in June 1999. He pointed out that climatic conditions, mining activities for the production of cement, deforestation, human activity and waste disposal are among the main causes of land degradation. He affirmed that the Barbados Government over the last few years has promoted the development and implementation of policies on land use, the establishment of a national committee on land degradation, desertification and drought, rehabilitation of ecosystems, the enforcement of systems for protected areas and the development of agro-tourism c projects, the development of sectoral action plans in the use and conservation of natural resources, agriculture and human activity. Among the priority actions are the promotion of the participation of local communities, the search of financial resources and the development of other sectoral action plans.

Agenda item 8: Presentation of the Paper on Incorporation of Gender Perspectives in the Implementation of Programmes to Combat Desertification

34. Mr. Francisco Brzovic, consultant of the Secretariat of the Convention, presented a paper on the Incorporation of Gender Perspective in the Implementation of Programmes to Combat Desertification. This programme seeks to explicitly incorporate gender perspectives in the regional and national initiatives in the fight against desertification; the sensitization and improvement of the capability of relevant actors in the formulation of local operative diagnosis on gender and desertification, developments at the local, national and regional level. Goals, proposed activities, and follow up strategies to be used in achieving these objectives were also highlighted. The initiatives will first be implemented as a pilot project in four countries of the region selected in accordance with their existing institutional capacity in the formulation and execution of initiatives to combat desertification, effective contribution of human and material resources, and the existence of community based groups representing local communities.

35. Mr. Matias Prieto representative of the FAO and Mrs. Silvia Freyler of Argentina reported on the achievements made in the incorporation of gender perspectives in the implementation of activities to combat desertification in a bilateral project between Chile and Argentina. Mr. Prieto also stated that his institution will continue supporting the implementation of this project.

36. The participants informed of the various actions being implemented in the countries of the region in this area and stressed the importance of continuing the development of activities on the incorporation of gender perspectives in the implementation of measures to combat desertification at the national and regional levels. The Chair of the meeting submitted for the consideration of the Plenary, a draft decision which is included in **Annex 1** of the present report.

Agenda item 9: Presentation of the Regional Project on the Recovery and Importance of Traditional Knowledge and Technologies in Latin America and the Caribbean

37. Mr. Juan Torres Guevara, consultant of the Secretariat of the Convention, presented a draft of a regional project on the recovery and importance of traditional knowledge and technology in the region, with a view to improve the standard of living of the local populations and contribute to the activities to combat desertification.

The proposal recognises the extent of the value of traditional knowledge, practices and technologies and the important role that local communities play in their implementation. The goals, proposed activities, including those relating to research, education, economic incentives among others, follow up strategy and the necessary institutional arrangements for achieving the objectives were explained.

38. The participants pointed out the importance of supporting the implementation of this initiative and of ensuring that existing traditional knowledge and practices in Latin America and the Caribbean are taken into consideration in the activities being implemented to combat desertification. The representative of Bolivia pointed out the need and urgency of initiating a discussion on regional focus on the development of traditional knowledge and its systematization, emphasizing the usefulness of informing and facilitating the sharing of activities implemented in the region in this field. A draft proposal pertaining to traditional knowledge, technologies and practices was submitted for the consideration of the Plenary and can be found in **Annex 1** of this report.

39. The Representative of El Salvador reiterated the offer of his Government to host the VI Regional Meeting for Latin America and the Caribbean and submitted for the consideration of the Plenary, a draft proposal which is included in **Annex 1** of this report.

40. After other discussions on the financing of the Regional Coordinating Unit, and the implementation of subregional projects, the participants submitted for consideration of the Plenary, some proposals for approval which are included in **Annex 1** of this report.

Agenda Item 10: The Third Session of the Conference of Parties of the Convention

41. The representative of Brazil informed of the logistical arrangements being made for the hosting of the Third Session of the Conference of Parties of the Convention and the availability of physical space, for the country Parties to mount exhibitions on their experiences in the fight against desertification.

42. The representative of RIOD requested that the Secretariat of the Convention make the necessary arrangements to ensure technical and financial assistance for the strengthening of the institutional capacity of non-governmental organizations.

43. The representative of Brazil underlined the importance of developing economic indicators on desertification with the aim of quantifying: the economic losses caused by land degradation, erosion, deforestation, recuperation of affected areas among other aspects for Latin America and the Caribbean.

44. The representative of the Global Mechanism explained the importance of supporting regional initiatives such as the proposal on Harmonization of Public Policies and identifying in conjunction with the Secretariat of the Convention and the country Parties to the Convention from Latin America and the Caribbean, priority activities and areas for institutional cooperation.

45. The representative of the Embassy of Holland in Peru explained that for that Government the fight against desertification is a priority and that the realization of public campaigns of sensitization, activities related to the conservation and management of tropical forests and secondary forests, and management of Amazonian current are among the priority areas.

46. The representative of the United Nations Development Programme reiterated a commitment to continue the support that this institution is offering the region in the formulation of the National Action Plans and Subregional Action Plans. For this purpose they are, recruiting United Nations Volunteers and young professionals, among other things. She also spoke of the readiness of the institution to support the projects presented at this meeting. Finally she underlined that the institution has allocated resources for supporting the Regional Action Programme with the aim of strengthening the operations of the Regional Executive Committee.

47. The representative of the United Nations Environment Programme reiterated the willingness of his institution to continue supporting regional efforts in the fight against desertification and in particular in the creation of the Regional Coordinating Unit and the implementation of the projects adopted in the framework of the Regional Action Programme. He spoke of the establishment of contact with the representative of Bolivia concerning the advances made by that country in obtaining financial assistance and pointed out that the Government of Brazil has an interest in participating with the Governments of Argentina, Bolivia and Paraguay in the implementation the Gran Chaco project.

48. After these deliberations the participants of the meeting agreed that the Regional Executive Committee should have the following composition:

One representative of Peru	(Chair)
One representative of Antigua and Barbuda	(Deputy Chair)
One representative of Barbados	
One representative of Bolivia	
One representative of Paraguay	
One representative of RIOD	

They submitted for the consideration of the Plenary a draft decision concerning the composition of the Regional Executive Committee which is included in **Annex I** of this report.

Agenda item 11: Adoption of the report of the meeting

49. The Rapporteur presented to the Plenary a draft of the Final Report of the Fifth Regional Meeting for countries of Latin America and the Caribbean on the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification and Drought. After incorporating the modifications which various delegations considered pertinent, the report was adopted by the meeting including the Decisions in **Annex 1** of this document.

Agenda item 12: Closure of the meeting

50. The meeting was closed at 17.00 on 12 August 1999 with an expression of thanks to the people and Government of Peru by Mr. Octavio Pérez Pardo, the delegate from Argentina on behalf of the participants at the meeting. Deputy Executive Secretary of the Convention, Ms. Aira Kalela, made some final remarks, followed by the Chair of the meeting, Dr. Josefina Takahashi Sato, who on behalf of the Government of Peru declared the Fifth Regional Meeting for the countries of Latin America and the Caribbean on the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification and Drought officially closed.

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The Government representatives present at the Fifth Regional Meeting for Latin America and the Caribbean on the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification and Drought held in Lima, Peru from August 9 to 12, 1999 decide:

Decision 1	Projects for the Implementation of the Regional Action Programme
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Recalling that in the Fourth Regional Meeting for Latin America and the Caribbean of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification held in St. John's, Antigua and Barbuda in April-May 1998, and the Second Session of the Conference of Parties of the Convention held in Dakar, Senegal in November 1998 approved Decision 19 regarding projects for implementation of the Regional Annex;

Considering that this decision stipulates that the Secretariat identifies sources of international funding such as the United Nations Development Programme, the Inter-American Development Bank, the Global Mechanism, the World Bank and the International Fund for Agricultural Development among others, for the regional projects approved during the Fourth Regional Meeting and for channelling of financial and technical assistance for the implementation of the same;

Taking into account the importance of implementing the various projects of the Regional Action Programme;

DECIDE

1. To recognise the valuable technical and financial support given by the agencies of the United Nations system and the development banks that work in the region in all phases of the implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification and Drought in Latin America and the Caribbean;
2. To request the Chair of the Fifth Regional Meeting to present and discuss with the different agencies of the United Nations system and other international bodies involved in relevant activities in this area, such as United Nations Development Programme, United Nations Environment Programme, the Food and Agricultural Organization, the International Fund for Agricultural Development, the World Environment Fund, the Inter-American Development Bank, the Caribbean Development Bank and the World Bank among others, financial support for the implementation of the various projects approved in the framework of the Regional Action Programme;
3. To request that the Global Financial Mechanism takes the necessary steps during the Third Session of the Conference of Parties for the inclusion of the projects of the Regional Action Programme in its budget for the Year 2000 and to introduce in conjunction with the Secretariat a plan for supporting from the Year 2000, the preparation of National Reports and National Action Plans for the countries of the region;
4. To request the Chair to report on the results of their undertakings at the first meeting of the Group of

Latin America and the Caribbean during the Third Session of the Conference of the Parties of the Convention.

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Decision 2	Report of the Secretariat of the Convention
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Taking into account the importance of all aspects of the report presented by the Secretariat of the Convention as well as the need to follow up on the proposals contained therein;

Considering the establishment and operation of the Regional Coordinating Unit of the Convention for Latin America and the Caribbean;

DECIDE

1. To approve the report presented by the Secretariat of the Convention with the proposed observations and modifications;
2. To express recognition to the Secretariat of the Convention for maintaining and consolidating the work and progressing with the implementation of the Regional Action Programme despite the existing limitations.

Decision 3	The Global Financial Mechanism
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Considering the role being played by Latin America and the Caribbean in the implementation and achievements of the objectives of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification and Drought;

Taking into account the importance of the projects approved in the framework of the Regional Action Programme as well as the need for their implementation;

Considering the importance of the Global Financial Mechanism in taking the necessary steps to support the financing of projects approved in the framework of the Regional Action Programme;

DECIDE

1. To request that the Director of the Global Financial Mechanism in conjunction with the Chair of the Fifth Regional Meeting and the Secretariat of the Convention prepare a financial plan in support of the Regional Action Programme and the National Action Programmes to be discussed and approved at the next Session of the Conference of Parties of the Convention;
2. To request the Global Mechanism to make in conjunction with the agencies and bodies of cooperation the necessary arrangements to ensure financing of the implementation of the Platform of Cooperation between

Africa and Latin America.

Decision 4	Technology, Traditional Knowledge and Practices
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Considering the Decisions of the First and Second Session of the Conference of Parties to encourage country Parties to compile the information they possess on the utilization of traditional local technologies, knowledge, experiences and practices and to present them to the Secretariat of the Convention;

Taking into account that Decision 12.1 adopted at the Fourth Regional Meeting calls for the development of a regional project on the recovery and assessment of traditional knowledge in Latin America and the Caribbean;

Taking note that during the Second Session of the Conference of the Parties of the Convention a full working day was given to the Committee of Science and Technology to examine the contribution of the country Parties and observers on a regional basis;

Taking note of the report presented by the Delegation of Peru concerning the utilization of technologies, traditional knowledge and practices;

DECIDE

1. To adopt the project as presented by the Secretariat of the Convention;
2. To request the Third Session of Conference of Parties to extend the mandate of the Panel of Experts of the Committee on Science and Technology with the aim of continuing the compilation of information on traditional knowledge and practices and proposing steps and actions for the adequate utilization of the same;
3. To request the Chair of the Fifth Regional Meeting for Latin America and the Caribbean to present this proposal to the Third Session of Conference of Parties;
4. To request the Regional Executive Committee to submit the project for the consideration of financing agencies and donor countries;
5. To request the Regional Coordinating Unit to implement in accordance with the arrangements made by the Regional Executive Committee with the financing agencies and donor countries, the preparatory activities contained in the project document.

Bearing in mind that the next Session of the Conference of Parties will take place in the region in Recife, Brazil from 15th to 26th November 1999;

Considering that most of the countries of Latin America and the Caribbean have ratified the Convention and have started the formulation of their National Action Plan;

DECIDE

1. To invite the Governments of The Bahamas, Trinidad and Tobago and Suriname to join the regional efforts in the fight against desertification and in particular to make an effort to ratify the Convention before the hosting of the Third Session of the Conference of Parties as a way of showing regional support for and interest in this event;

2. Request the Secretariat of the Convention to officially extend this invitation to the above-mentioned countries.

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Decision 7	The Regional Coordinating Unit
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Considering that the Secretariat of the Convention has taken the pertinent measures to ensure the functioning of the Regional Coordinating Unit for Latin America and the Caribbean;

Bearing in mind that the Government of Mexico and the Secretariat of the Convention signed in April 1999 the corresponding host agreement for the establishment and operation of the Regional Coordinating Unit for Latin America and the Caribbean;

Taking into account the valuable technical and financial support given by the Governments of Argentina and Mexico, the United Nations Environment Programme and the United Nations Development Programme for the functioning of the Regional Coordinating Unit;

DECIDE

1. To thank the Governments of Argentina and Mexico as well as the United Nations Environment Programme and the United Nations Development Programme, for their valuable contributions to ensure the functioning of the Regional Coordinating Unit;

2. To invite the Governments of the countries of the region to contribute to the operation budget of the aforementioned unit and the agencies of the United Nations Systems, international bodies and regional Banks to give material support to this action;

3. To urge the agencies of the United Nations system, in particular the United Nations Environment Programme and the United Nations Development Programme, international bodies and regional banks to give material support to this activity;

4. To request that the Secretariat of the Convention forward through normal diplomatic channels a proposed budget for the financing of the Regional Coordinating Unit for the biennium 2000-2001 with the aim of adopting a decision at the meetings of the Group of Latin America and the Caribbean (GRULAC) to be held during the Third Session of the Conference of Parties;

5. To submit for the consideration of the Third Session of the Conference of Parties of the Convention, the inclusion of the salary of the Regional Technical Secretary in charge of the Regional Coordinating Unit in the core budget of the Permanent Secretariat of the Convention for the biennium 2000-2001.

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Decision 8	Subregional Projects
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Considering the advances made in subregional projects on sustainable development of the Gran Chaco Americano region, land degradation in the Eastern Caribbean and sustainable development in the Puna Americana region;

Taking into account the timetable of activities provided by the countries involved;

Reaffirming the importance of subregional activities for the consolidation of national processes;

Taking into account the technical and financial support received from the UNDP's Office to Combat Desertification for the formulation of sustainable development programmes for the Gran Chaco and Puna Americana regions;

DECIDE

1. To assist the country Parties in the implementation of the Gran Chaco Americano, the land degradation in the Eastern Caribbean States and the sustainable development subregional projects;

2. To invite the Governments, non-governmental organizations, agencies of the United Nations system, international bodies and donor countries to continue the efforts of coordinating policies focussing on the enhancement of subregional activities;

3. To request the Secretariat of the Convention to continue to give technical and financial support for the implementation of the above-mentioned subregional projects;

4. To request the Inter-American Development Bank to continue providing technical and financial support for the implementation of the Eastern Caribbean subregional project;

5. To request of UNDP/UNSO the continuation of support for the implementation of the sustainable development programmes in Gran Chaco Americano and Puna Americana and the consideration of renewing the contract of the project assistant;

6. To request the Secretariat of the Convention and the Global Mechanism to support the country Parties involved in the Puna Americana Subregional Action Programme in securing financing for its implementation;

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Decision 9	Participation of Non-governmental Organizations
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Considering that the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Article 10.2 parr. (f) stipulates, and that Article 3.2 of the Regional Annex reaffirms the full participation at the local, national and regional level of non-governmental organizations and local populations in the planning and formulation of policies, the adoption of decisions, the execution and revision of the National Action Programmes;

Taking into account the important work to be carried out by the non-governmental organizations through the International Network of Non-governmental Organizations on Desertification (RIOD), in the countries of the region;

Recognising the need to ensure that the support of civil society is widely spread in all countries of Latin America and the Caribbean;

DECIDE

1. To request in accordance with the existing mechanisms in each country, the effective cooperation of the international bodies and donor countries in the strengthening of the networks of the non-governmental organizations at the national, subregional and regional levels so that they can suitably continue to contribute to the implementation of the Convention.

2. To request the participation of the Regional Coordinating Unit as well as the Secretariat of the Convention in procuring the necessary financing for the possible implementation of this important task.

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Decision 10	Incorporation of Gender Perspectives
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Considering that the National Focal Points in conformity with Decision 18 adopted at the Fourth Regional Meeting, have sent their observations on the first version of the document of the Secretariat entitled “Explicit Incorporation of Gender Perspectives in the Implementation of Programmes to Combat Desertification”;

Considering that the Secretariat has prepared a new version of the document based on these observations and in conformity with the aforementioned decision;

field work;

Considering that the Regional Office of the FAO has decided to support this bilateral project strengthening a production component which is in the process of formulation;

Considering that in the formulation and implementation of the project, the central executing agencies are the National Forest Cooperation and the Director of Soil Conservation of the Secretariat of National Resources and Sustainable Development of Chile and Argentina respectively with the collaboration of the non-governmental organizations, "Earth Action Network" and "Fundacion del Sur";

DECIDE

1. To express their support to the countries and organizations involved and their approval of the progress made in the formulation of the initiatives.
2. To request the Secretariat of the Convention to assist the organizations involved in making arrangements with agencies of technical and financial cooperation.
3. To request the FAO to continue providing technical support to Chile and Argentina in the formulation and design of the bilateral project.
4. To request the Focal Points of Argentina and Chile to inform the countries of the region through the regional network DESELAC of the progress of the project and to do likewise with those organizations associated with RIOD.
5. To request the Office to Combat Desertification (UNDP/UNSO) to continue supporting the national and subregional efforts in this field.

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Decision 12	Host of the Sixth Regional Meeting
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Considering that the First, Second, Third, Fourth and Fifth Regional Meetings were held in South America (Buenos Aires, Argentina; Lima, Peru) in Mesoamerica (Mexico City, Mexico) in the Caribbean (Havana, Cuba and St. John's, Antigua and Barbuda);

Considering it's desirable to maintain rotation among the subregions in the hosting of future regional meetings;

DECIDE

1. To accept the offer of the delegation of El Salvador to host the Sixth Regional Meeting for Latin America and the Caribbean of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification, to be held in not less

than three months before the hosting of the Fourth Conference of Parties in the year 2000.

2. To request the Secretariat of the Convention to make the necessary contacts with the Government of El Salvador with the aim of deciding the date for the meeting and to make the corresponding arrangements for its hosting.

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Decision 13	The preparation of National Reports of the countries of Latin America and the Caribbean
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Considering that the countries of Latin America and the Caribbean must present their respective National Reports regarding the status of the implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification during the Fourth Session of the Conference of Parties of the Convention;

Having taken note of the methodological guide presented by the Secretariat of the Convention, which was prepared for the African countries and which require some revision and relevant modification with the aim of adapting it to the peculiarities of the region;

Considering the recommendations of the countries of the region,

DECIDE

1. That the countries of the region forward their observations in writing to the Secretariat of the Convention and to the Regional Coordinating Unit within 30 days;

2. That the Secretariat of the Convention holds within a period of not more than 30 days relevant consultations with international agencies, bodies and national networks of non-governmental organizations involved in this field to hear their views in regard to the methodological guide and request that they send their comments to the Secretariat and to the Regional Coordinating Unit;

3. To request the Regional Coordinating Unit to formulate a document containing the observations of the countries and international organizations to be submitted to the Regional Executive Committee and sent to the countries of the region. The Committee shall submit this document for consideration and adoption by the Group of Latin America and the Caribbean (GRULAC) in its first meeting during the Third Session of the Conference of the Parties;

4. To request where necessary the technical and financial assistance of the Secretariat of the Convention, the agencies of the United Nations system, international organizations and donor countries for the preparation of National Reports;

5. The countries of the region must present to the Secretariat their National Report no later than 25 of April in the year 2000.

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