

**Decision 21/COP.1**

Other bodies performing work similar to that envisaged  
for the Committee on Science and Technology

The Conference of the Parties,

Taking note of the reports of the Permanent Secretariat of the Convention contained in documents A/AC.241/67 and ICCD/COP(1)/CST/4 on other bodies performing work similar to that envisaged for the Committee on Science and Technology,

1. Invites Governments to supplement the information contained in such reports by submitting in writing to the Permanent Secretariat the names and relevant information on additional organizations, whether national, subregional or regional for addition to such lists by 31 December 1997;
2. Requests the Permanent Secretariat to consolidate the information contained in documents A/AC.241/67 and ICCD/COP(1)/CST/4;
3. Requests the Permanent Secretariat to report to the second session of the Conference with a consolidated report, including the additional information received;
4. Requests the Permanent Secretariat to make the information available in electronic form, as well as through the regular channels of the United Nations system, for the purpose of facilitating the exchange of information.