

**Decision 26/COP.7**

Designation of a Convention secretariat and arrangements for its functioning:  
administrative and support arrangements

*The Conference of the Parties,*

*Recalling* United Nations General Assembly resolutions 52/198 of 18 December 1997 and 56/196 of 21 December 2001 on institutional linkage and related administrative arrangements between the United Nations Secretariat and the secretariat of the Convention, which endorse decision 3/COP.1 on the designation of a Convention secretariat and arrangements for its functioning,

*Approves* the continuation of the current institutional linkage and related administrative arrangements for a further five-year period, to be reviewed by both the General Assembly and the COP no later than 31 December 2011.

*13<sup>th</sup> plenary meeting  
28 October 2005*