REPORT OF THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT*

(Rio de Janeiro, 3-14 June 1992)

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Chapter II

ATTENDANCE AND ORGANIZATION OF WORK

A. Date and place of the Conference

1. The United Nations Conference on Environment and Development was held at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, from 3 to 14 June 1992, in conformity with General Assembly resolution 45/211 of 21 December 1990 and its decision 46/468 of 13/April 1992. During that period the Conference held 19 plenary meetings.

B. Pre-Conference consultations
2. Pre-Conference consultations open to all States invited to participate in the Conference were held at Rio de Janeiro on 1 and 2 June 1992 to consider a number of procedural and organizational matters. These and other informal consultations were conducted under the chairmanship of His/Excellency Professor Celso Lafer, Minister of External Relations of Brazil. The report on the consultations (A/CONF.151/L.1) was submitted to the Conference and its recommendations were accepted as the basis for the organization of the Conference's work.

C. Attendance

3. The following States and regional economic integration organizations were represented at the Conference:

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Germany                         Myanmar
Ghana                           Namibia
Greece                          Nauru
Grenada                         Nepal
Guatemala                       Netherlands
Guinea                          New Zealand
Guinea-Bissau                   Nicaragua
Guyana                          Niger
Haiti                           Nigeria
Holy See                        Norway
Honduras                        Oman
Hungary                         Pakistan
Iceland                         Panama
India                           Papua New Guinea
Indonesia                       Paraguay
Iran (Islamic Republic of)      Peru
Iraq                            Philippines
Ireland                         Poland
Israel                          Portugal
Italy                           Qatar
Jamaica                         Republic of Korea
Japan                           Republic of Moldova
Jordan                          Romania
Kazakhstan                      Russian Federation
Kenya                           Rwanda
Kiribati                        Saint Kitts and Nevis
Kuwait                          Saint Lucia
Lao People's Democratic RepublicSaint Vincent and the Grenadines
Latvia                          Samoa
San Marino                      Tunisia
Sao Tome and Principe           Turkey
Saudi Arabia                    Tuvalu
Senegal                         Uganda
Seychelles                      Ukraine
Sierra Leone                    United Arab Emirates
Singapore                       United Kingdom of Great Britain
Slovenia                        United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
Solomon Islands                 United Republic of Tanzania
Spain                           United States of America
Sri Lanka                       Uruguay
Sudan                           Vanuatu
Suriname                        Venezuela
Swaziland                       Viet Nam
Sweden                          Yemen
Switzerland                     Yugoslavia
Syrian Arab Republic            Zaire
Thailand                        Zambia
Togo                            Zimbabwe
Trinidad and Tobago

4. The observer for Palestine attended the Conference.

5. The following associate members of the regional commissions were represented by observers:

American Samoa
6. The following national liberation movements were represented by observers:

   African National Congress (South Africa)
   Pan Africanist Congress of Azania

7. The following United Nations offices were represented at the Conference:

   Department of Economic and Social Development
   Secretariat of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee for a Convention on Biodiversity
   Secretariat of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee for a Framework Convention on Climate Change

8. The secretariats of the following regional commissions were represented at the Conference:

   Economic Commission for Africa
   Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean
   Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific
   Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia

9. The following United Nations bodies and programmes were also represented:

   Economic and Social Council
   International Court of Justice
   United Nations Children’s Fund
   United Nations Conference on Trade and Development
   United Nations Development Fund for Women
   United Nations Development Programme
   United Nations Environment Programme
   United Nations Population Fund
   United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East
   United Nations Sudano-Sahelian Office
   United Nations University
   World Food Programme
   United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat)
   United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, Office of the
   United Nations International Drug Control Programme
   World Food Council
   International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women
   United Nations Institute for Training and Research
   United Nations Research Institute for Social Development

10. The following specialized agencies and related organizations were represented:
International Labour Organisation
Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
International Civil Aviation Organization
World Health Organization
World Bank
International Monetary Fund
Universal Postal Union
International Telecommunication Union
World Meteorological Organization
International Maritime Organization
World Intellectual Property Organization
International Fund for Agricultural Development
United Nations Industrial Development Organization
International Atomic Energy Agency
General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade

11. The following intergovernmental organizations were represented by observers:

African Development Bank
African Timber Organization
Agency for Cultural and Technical Cooperation
Asian-African Legal Consultative Committee
Asian Development Bank
Caribbean Community and Common Market
Central American Bank for Economic Integration
Centre on Integrated Rural Development for Asia and the Pacific
Commonwealth Secretariat
Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research
Council of Europe
European Bank for Reconstruction and Development
European Investment Bank
Inter-American Development Bank
Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture
International Committee of the Red Cross
International Energy Agency
International Joint Commission
International Oil Pollution Compensation Fund
International Tropical Timber Organization
Latin American Economic System (SELA)
League of Arab States
OPEC Fund for International Development
Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development
Organization of African Unity
Organization of American States
Organization of the Islamic Conference
Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries
Permanent South Pacific Commission
South African Development Coordination Conference
South Asia Cooperative Environmental Programme
South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation
South Pacific Forum Secretariat
South Pacific Regional Environment Programme
World Tourism Organization
12. A large number of non-governmental organizations attended the Conference. The list of non-governmental organizations participating is given in document A/CONF.151/PC/L.28 and Add.1-14.