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**Environment and sustainable development**

**Republic of Indonesia\* : draft resolution**

**Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations  
Environment Programme**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolution 2997 (XXVII) of 15 December 1972, by which it decided to establish the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme,

*Also recalling* the results and decisions of the nineteenth special session of the General Assembly, convened for the purpose of the overall review and appraisal of the implementation of Agenda 21, and, in particular, paragraphs 119 and 122 to 124 of the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21,<sup>1</sup>

*Further recalling* the Nairobi Declaration on the Role and Mandate of the United Nations Environment Programme, adopted by the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme at its nineteenth session,<sup>2</sup>

*Having considered* the report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its fifth special session,<sup>3</sup>

1. *Welcomes* the report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its fifth special session and the decisions contained therein;<sup>3</sup>

2. *Recognizes*, in particular, Governing Council decision SS.V/2 on the revitalization, reform and strengthening of the United Nations Environment Programme, including the areas that need special action from time to time, as identified by the Executive

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\* On behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China.

<sup>1</sup> Resolution S/19-2, annex.

<sup>2</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-second Session, Supplement No. 25 (A/52/25)*, annex, decision 19/1, annex.

<sup>3</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-third Session, Supplement No. 25 (A/53/25)*.

Director of the United Nations Environment Programme in line with the Nairobi Declaration on the Role and Mandate of the United Nations Environment Programme;

3. *Welcomes* the adoption by the Conference of Plenipotentiaries, at Rotterdam on 11 September 1998, of the Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade and, in particular, the participation of the secretariat of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations in collaboration with the United Nations Environment Programme as an interim secretariat to the Convention;

4. *Reaffirms* Nairobi as the location for the United Nations Environment Programme and the strengthening of the Programme as the focal point for consideration of global environmental issues;

5. *Encourages* the United Nations Environment Programme to further strengthen its revitalized role as an important implementing agency of the Global Environment Facility, taking into account the decisions of the March 1998 meeting of the Assembly of the Global Environment Facility, and welcomes in particular the collaboration with the Global Environment Facility on freshwater resources, such as the Global International Waters Assessment, and on activities aiming at combating land degradation as they relate to the focal areas of the Global Environment Facility;

6. *Welcomes* the efforts made by the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme in streamlining the organization in Nairobi, stresses the importance of adequate, stable and predictable financial resources as an essential prerequisite to enable the Programme to discharge its strengthened mandate, and calls upon Governments to make contributions in order to allow for the full and effective implementation of the programmes of the Environment Programme;

7. *Encourages* the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme to intensify his efforts to mobilize additional resources from other donor sources as appropriate.

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