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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ORGANIZATION OF WORK

<u>Participation of intergovernmental organizations</u> <u>in the work of the Committee</u>

Note by the Secretariat

<u>Addendum</u>

By resolution 47/188 of 22 December 1992 on the establishment of an intergovernmental negotiating committee for the elaboration of an international convention to combat desertification in those countries experiencing serious drought and/or desertification, particularly in Africa, the General Assembly decided, inter alia, that observers would participate in the Committee in accordance with the established practice of the General Assembly. The category of observers at the General Assembly includes a number of intergovernmental organizations accorded permanent observer status by the General Assembly.

Since the first session of the Committee, the Executive Secretary of the Conference has received further requests from a number of intergovernmental organizations, who do not have permanent observer status with the General Assembly, to participate in the work of the Committee. He has reviewed the credentials of those organizations and submits the following list of additional intergovernmental organizations which it recommends should be granted observer status by the Committee:

Southern African Regional Commission for the Conservation and Utilisation of Soil (SARCCUS)

Centre for Environment and Development Arab Region and Europe (CEDARE).
