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THE ELABORATION OF AN INTERNATIONAL
CONVENTION TO COMBAT DESERTIFICATION IN
THOSE COUNTRIES EXPERIENCING SERIOUS
DROUGHT AND/OR DESERTIFICATION,
PARTICULARLY IN AFRICA
Ninth session
New York, 3-13 September 1996
Agenda item 2

PREPARATION FOR THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

Draft decision submitted by the Chairman of Working Group II

<u>Draft recommendation to the Conference of the Parties on Programme</u> of Work for the Committee on Science and Technology

The 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,

- (a) <u>Invites</u> interested INCD members to contribute comments and views on a proposed programme of work for the Committee on Science and Technology, to be received by the interim secretariat by 15 October 1996;
- (b) <u>Requests</u> the interim secretariat to prepare and report on a draft proposed programme of work based on such contributions for the Committee on Science and Technology for consideration at the tenth session;
- (c) <u>Requests</u> the interim secretariat to identify bodies of other relevant organizations and Conventions performing work similar to the work envisaged to be undertaken by the Committee on Science and Technology, and to report to the tenth session on such work and possible areas of cooperation with such bodies;

- (d) <u>Encourages</u> INCD members to make nominations for the roster of independent experts in accordance with the qualifications and criteria proposed for adoption at the Conference of the Parties by submitting such nominations through diplomatic channels to the interim secretariat;
- (e) $\underline{\text{Requests}}$ the interim secretariat to compile a draft roster of independent experts, based on such contributions, for the Conference of the Parties.
