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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 Tenth session New York, 6-17 January 1997 Agenda item 2

PREPARATION FOR THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

Draft decision submitted by the Chairman of Working Group II

Rules of Procedure of the Conference of the Parties

The Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee,

<u>Recalling</u> its mandate to prepare for the first Conference of the Parties pursuant to General Assembly resolution 49/234 of 23 December 1994,

<u>Recommends</u> that the Conference of the Parties, at its first session, adopt the following decision regarding the Rules of Procedure of the Conference of the Parties:

## Rules of Procedure of the Conference of the Parties

The Conference of the Parties,

<u>Considering</u> the provisions of the Convention, particularly article 22, paragraph 3, which stipulates that the Conference of the Parties shall adopt, at its first session, its own rules of procedure,

<u>Having examined</u> the recommendations of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee on the Rules of Procedure of the Conference of the Parties,

<u>Decides</u> to adopt the Rules of Procedure attached to the present decision, with the exception of: paragraph 1 of Rule 6, paragraph 1 of Rule 22, Rule 31 and paragraph 1 of Rule 47.

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