

DECISIONS OF THE 5TH GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING

Decision V/1

Task Force Work Programme and Budget for year 2002/2003

Noting with appreciation the Director's Report on Task Force activities for the year 2001/2002 and the activities for the year 2002/2003, also acknowledging the support to the Task Force by various Donors;

- i) Approves the proposed work budget for the year 2002/2003 at US Dollars 947,686 (nine hundred and forty seven thousand, six hundred and eighty six only).
- ii) Further approves assessed contributions by each Party States to the Task Force during the period at U.S Dollars 158,000 (one hundred and fifty eight thousand only).
- iii) Directs the Task Force to present future budgets in accordance with the format developed by the Expert Group.
- iv) Expresses its gratitude to the Parties that have already generously and on a timely basis paid their dues and calls upon Parties that have not paid to do so as soon as possible.
- v) Commends also all the donors and partners for their invaluable support.
- vi) Expresses special appreciation to the Executive Director of UNEP for his financial and material support and urges him to continue with the same spirit.
- vii) Directs the Task Force Director to continue his fund-raising efforts so that the programme of work may be implemented on a timely basis.

Decision V/2

Compensation and Gratuity to the Staff of the Task Force

Noting the issue arising from untimely demise of Mr. Adan W. Dullo, Appreciating the efforts by the Task Force to develop a framework for compensation of the staff,

- i) Directs the Task Force Director to bring up recommended options on the review of Financial Rule 30 (6) and 49 of Staff Rules to the next Bureau and Council Meeting.
- ii) Further directs that the issue of compensation be handled on a one-off basis.

Decision V/3

Expanding of Membership and International Co-operation among Agencies

Noting with appreciation the implementation of Decision IV/5 (July 2001 Council Meeting) in which collaborative efforts of Lusaka Agreement Task Force and International Institutions intercepted six metric tons of raw ivory which had been smuggled across international frontiers.

- i) Directs the Director of the Task Force to continue cultivating good relations with more organizations in order to succeed in enforcement operations.
- ii) Further calls upon the Ministers responsible for the implementation of the Agreement to undertake efforts aimed at encouraging other African Governments to join the Lusaka Agreement.

Decision V/4

UNEP Guidelines on Multilateral Environmental Agreements

Noting with appreciation the work of UNEP on the development of guidelines on compliance with Multilateral Environment Agreements (M.E.A.s), effective national enforcement of environmental laws and co-operation in combating violation of laws;

- i) Request the Executive Director UNEP to distribute the M.E.As Guidelines in co-operation with the Lusaka Agreement Task Force among its parties,
- ii) Further requests the Executive Director to conduct awareness workshops for Governments to speed up the implementation of the guidelines.