

WORLD COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT

FOURTH MEETING
Sao Paulo Brazil
25 October - 4 November 1985

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ANNOTATIONS TO PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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1. Opening Statements

The Commission's Fourth Meeting will begin with an official Opening Session, by invitation, commencing at 9 a.m. on Monday 28 October, 1985, in the main auditorium of CETESB. Introductions will be made by Dr. Paulo Nogueira Neto and statements will be made by:

- Dr. Werner Eugenio Zulauf,
President of CETESB
- H.E. Mr. Flavio Peixotto,
Brazilian Minister of Environment
- Governor Andre Franco Montoro,
Governor of the State of Sao Paulo
- Mrs. Gro Harlem Brundtland, Chairman

2. Public Hearings

Following the precedent established in Jakarta and Oslo, the Commission will also be holding public hearings in Brazil, both in Sao Paulo and Brazilia. The public hearings in Sao Paulo will commence immediately following the Opening Session on Monday, 28 October and run through until that evening. There will also be public hearings in Sao Paulo on the afternoon of Tuesday 29 October and in Brazilia during the late morning of Wednesday, 30 October.

The Sao Paulo hearings will be divided into five two hour sessions, one session each on the debt crisis and its impact on environment and development, forestry, human settlements and industrial pollution. In addition, there will be one "open" session for discussion of other issues.

The Brazilia hearings will all be "open". Each session of the public hearings will begin with four ten minute verbal presentations of written submissions made to the Commission on the issue concerned followed by an open floor debate during which all attendees will be free to speak.

Invitations to the public hearings have been issued to several hundred government departments and agencies, institutes, industry and labour federations, non-governmental organizations, scientific bodies and individuals in Brazil, elsewhere in Latin America and in the United States.

Exact details and a list of speakers and attendees for the public hearings will be available on your arrival in Sao Paulo.

3. Adoption of the Agenda

The Commission will consider and adopt an Agenda and Timetable for its discussion. A Provisional Agenda and proposed Timetable for the discussion were circulated by the Secretary General in advance of the meeting. (WCED/85/22 Rev.1)

4. Progress Report of the Secretary General

The Secretary General will submit an overall report on the progress of work since the Oslo Meeting and on the proposed direction of future work.

5. Key Issues

5.1 The Commission will have a Secretariat paper (WCED/85/23) on International Economic Relations, Environment and Development which reflects the results of a meeting of the small group of Commissioners appointed at the Oslo Meeting to assist the Secretariat in its work on this key issue. In addition, as requested in Oslo two papers by Osvaldo Sunkel, Coordinator of the Joint ECLA/UNEP Development and Environment Unit (WCED/85/Info.13) have been sent to the Commission for background reading: one is entitled "The Interaction Between Styles of Development and the Environment in Latin America"; and the other is entitled "The Past, Present and Future of the International Economic Crisis".

5.2 The discussion on International Co-operation will take as a point of departure a paper on Legal Principles for Environmental Protection and Sustainable Development (WCED/85/24 A) and a paper on Resolving Environmental Disputes (WCED/85/24 B). The former has been prepared by R.D. Munro, Special Advisor to the Commission

and reflects the work undertaken to date by the Working Group on Environmental Law. The second is by R. Stein of the Environmental Mediation International.

- 5.3 A discussion of policies concerning Moist Tropical Forest is scheduled for the Sao Paulo meeting. For this discussion a Policy Ideas paper prepared by Marc J. Dourojeanni, Professor of the Faculty of Forest Sciences of the Universidad Nacional Agraria, Lima, Peru will be submitted to the Commission for their consideration (WCED/85/25). In addition, Prof. Dourojeanni will be present in Sao Paulo for the Commission's discussions on tropical forestry and available to provide any additional information which the Commission may require.
- 5.4 There will be a Secretariat discussion paper on Human Settlements (WCED/85/26) and three background papers; one by Ignacy Sachs (WCED/85/Info.16) of the Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, Paris on Human Settlements: Resource and Environmental Management; one by Messrs. Jorge E. Hardoy and David Satterthwaite (WCED/85/Info.17) of the International Institute for Environment and Development on Shelter, Infrastructure and Services in Third World Cities; and one by Dr. Ian Burton (WCED/85/Info.18) on Urbanization and Development. In addition, Jorge Hardoy will be present in Sao Paulo for the Commission's discussions on Human Settlements.

6. Preliminary Outline of Final Report

In furtherance of the discussion which took place in Oslo concerning the Commission's final report, two papers will be put before you for discussion in Sao Paulo, one containing a proposed preliminary outline of the Final Report Official (WCED/85/27 Part I) and one describing the format and proposed design of the Final Report Popular (WCED/85/27 Part II).

7. Budgetary and Financial Matters

At the Sao Paulo Meeting, the Commission will receive for review and discussion: a current status report comparing expenditure to date with the budget adopted

at its Inaugural Meeting, an update on available resources and fundraising results and a detailed budget projection for the period from October 1, 1985 until the end of 1987.

8. Other Business

Under this item, members can raise other matters deserving the attention of the Commission which have not been dealt with under previous agenda items.

10. Future Meetings

A schedule of dates and locations of future meetings was agreed at the Oslo Meeting, but a review and update on this information will be discussed in Sao Paulo.