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ANNOTATIONS TO PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Action required: for Review before the Meeting

November 11, 1986

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1. Opening Statement

The Commission's Seventh Meeting will begin at 9 a.m. on Saturday, December 6, 1986, in Conference Room 8 on the first floor of the Congress Center immediately adjacent to the Cosmos Hotel. The Chairman will open and conduct the Commission's meetings.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

The Commission will consider and adopt an Agenda and Detailed Timetable for its meeting. A Provisional Agenda and Proposed Timetable for the meeting were circulated by the Secretariat in advance of the meeting. (WCED/86/25).

3. Progress Report of the Secretary General

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

4. Final Report: Discussion on Drafts of Chapters 1-12

Bases on the discussions held during the Commission's meeting in Harare revised drafts of chapters 1 - 12 of the Commission's Final Report have been prepared and will be put before the Commission for consideration during the Moscow meeting. Each of these drafts will be considered by the full Commission in plenary session and it is proposed that they be discussed and considered in order in which they will appear in the Final Report.

5. Opening Ceremony

The official Opening Ceremony of the Commission's Seventh Meeting will be held at 9 a.m. on Monday, December 8, 1986 in the main auditorium of the International Congress Center. Introductions will be made by Commissioner Sokolov and statements will be made by:

-Mr. Nikolai Ryzhkov, Prime Minister of the Soviet Union (to be confirmed); and

-Mrs. Gro Harlem Brundtland, Chairman of the World Commission on Environment and Development.

6. Public Hearings

There will be two sets of public hearings in Moscow, one on Monday, December 8, 1986 beginning immediately after the Official Opening Ceremony during which particular attention will be focused on nuclear energy and the issues raised by Chernobyl. The second hearing will be held on Thursday, December 11, 1986. Both hearings will be attended by senior government officials from the Soviet Union and other socialist countries as well as scientists, economists, youth and NGO representatives from the Soviet Union and other socialist countries. All sessions of the public hearings will be held in the main auditorium of the International Congress Center.

7. Revised Outline of the Final Report

In reviewing the new draft chapters of the Final Report, it is felt that new chapter 9 on Conservation of our Natural Heritage would be better placed in the report if it followed Chapter 5 on Food Security. A revised Outline of the Final Report (WCED/86/38) reflecting this re-ordering of chapters will be put before the Commission for its approval. It may be that other restructuring of the chapters will emerge from the discussions on the revised chapters, and should this prove to be the case, that restructuring will be incorporated into the revised outline before its consideration by the Commission during this agenda discussion.

8. Revised Draft of the Table of Contents

A new draft table of contents (WCED/86/39) containing suggested titles for each chapter and its sub-headings will be put before the Commission for discussion and approval in Moscow. It is important that the Commission has a full discussion on these titles during its meeting in Moscow.

9. Detailed Outline of the Executive Statement

Work on the Executive Statement has begun since the meeting in Harare and a first draft Outline of the Executive Statement (WCED/86/40) will be circulated to the Commission for its review and comment. As agreed by the Commission in Sao Paulo, the Executive Statement will be prepared and published with the Final Report as a "free standing" piece and the Secretariat will be seeking the guidance of the Commission on the contents of this first draft.

10. Public Information Programme

Since the Commission's meetings in Africa the Secretariat has had meetings with various press and information specialists concerning the public information programme of the Commission during the period between the completion of its report and its debate in the General Assembly in the Fall of next year. In addition, discussions with host governments regarding the proposed regional presentation meetings have continued. In furtherance of these discussions a proposed public information programme (WCED/86/41) has been prepared for discussion by the Commission in Moscow.

11. Budgetary and Financial Matters

In Moscow, the Commission will receive a full report on the current financial status of the Commission and the steps being taken in respect thereof. The report will include: a current status report comparing expenditure to date with the revised budget adopted by the Commission in Brazil, an update on available resources and fundraising results, and a detailed budget projection for the period from December 1, 1986 until the end of 1987

12. Future Meetings

An update on the dates of the remaining meetings of the Commission (including the special meeting to be held in January) will be presented to the Commission in Moscow for its information.

13. Other Business

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

14. Meeting with 1st Deputy Prime Minister Murakhovsky and Joint Meeting with Gosplan and Soviet Academy of Science

Two important meetings with the Commission have been arranged for Friday, December 12, 1986. On that morning, the Commission will meet in the Kremlin with the 1st Deputy Prime Minister of the Soviet Union, Mr. Vsevolod Murakhovsky. Mr. Murakhovsky is the head of the State Committee Agro-Industry. In the afternoon there will be a joint meeting between the Commission, Gosplan (the Soviet State Committee for Planning) and representatives from the Soviet Academy of Sciences for a discussion on the integration of environment and economics in the central planning process in the Soviet Union.