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**Decisions, Resolutions and Measures**

The Twenty-fifth Antarctic Treaty Consultative Meeting (XXV ATCM) adopted four Decisions, three Resolutions and one Measure. The texts of the Decisions, together with two appendices, and the Resolutions are reproduced here. The text of the Measure is also reproduced here but, due to limitations for space, the Annexes have been abbreviated and only the essential information has been given here. In addition, it has not been possible to give all the Annexes, even in abbreviated form, and those remaining will be published in a later *Bulletin*.

**DECISION 1 (2002)**

***Naming and numbering system for Antarctic Specially Protected Areas***

The Representatives

*Noting* the entry into force of Annex V to the Environmental Protocol on 24 May 2002;

*Noting also* the provision of Article 3 (3) of Annex V that all SPAs and SSSIs designated as such by past Antarctic Treaty Consultative Meetings are hereby designated as Antarctic Specially Protected Areas (ASPAs) on the entry into force of Annex V, and shall be renamed and

renumbered accordingly;

*Recognizing* the naming and numbering system for ASPAs adopted by means of Resolution 5 (1996) and the need to update this system to include new protected areas adopted by subsequent ATCMs;

*Decide:*

1. That the naming and numbering system for ASPAs annexed to this Decision be adopted;
2. That all ASPAs adopted by the present, and any subsequent ATCM, be added to the list in consecutive order of adoption and be numbered accordingly.

***Appendix to Decision 1 (2002): Naming and numbering system for Antarctic Specially Protected Areas***

No.	Antarctic Specially Protected Area name	Previous site number	Year adopted in Annex V format
101	Taylor Rookery, Mac. Robertson Land	SPA No 1	1992
102	Rookery Islands, Holme Bay, Mac. Robertson Land	SPA No 2	1992
103	Arderly Island and Odber Island, Budd Coast	SPA No 3	1992
104	Sabrina Island, Balleny Islands	SPA No 4	
105	Beaufort Island, Ross Sea	SPA No 5	1997
	Cape Crozier, Ross Island	SPA No 6	[redesignated SSSI No 4]
106	Cape Hallett, Victoria Land	SPA No 7	
107	Dion Islands, Marguerite Bay, Antarctic Peninsula	SPA No 8	
108	Green Island, Berthelot Islands, Antarctic Peninsula	SPA No 9	
	Byers Peninsula, Livingston Island, South Shetland Islands	SPA No 10	[redesignated SSSI No 6]
	Cape Shirreff, Livingston Island, South Shetland Islands	SPA No 11	[redesignated SSSI No 32]
	Fildes Peninsula, King George Island, South Shetland Islands	SPA No 12	[redesignated SSSI No 5]
109	Moe Island, South Orkney Islands	SPA No 13	1995
110	Lynch Island, South Orkney Islands	SPA No 14	2000
111	Southern Powell Island and adjacent islands, South Orkney Islands	SPA No 15	1995
112	Coppermine Peninsula, Robert Island, South Shetland Islands	SPA No 16	
113	Litchfield Island, Arthur Harbour, Anvers Island, Palmer Archipelago	SPA No 17	
114	Northern Coronation Island, South Orkney Islands	SPA No 18	
115	Lagotellerie Island, Marguerite Bay, Antarctic Peninsula	SPA No 19	1992/2000

No.	Antarctic Specially Protected Area name	Previous site number	Year adopted in Annex V format
116	'New College Valley', Caughley Beach, Cape Bird, Ross Island	SPA No 20	1992/2000
117	Avian Island, off Adelaide Island, Antarctic Peninsula	SPA No 21 [formerly SSSI No 30]	
118	'Cryptogam Ridge', Mount Melbourne, Victoria Land	SPA No 22	
119	Forlidas Pond and Davis Valley ponds, Dufek Massif	SPA No 23	
120	'Pointe-Géologie Archipelago', Terre Adélie	SPA No 24	1995
121	Cape Royds, Ross Island	SSSI No 1	
122	Arrival Heights, Hut Point Peninsula, Ross Island	SSSI No 2	
123	Barwick Valley, Victoria Land	SSSI No 3	
124	Cape Crozier, Ross Island	SSSI No 4 [formerly SPA No 6]	
125	Fildes Peninsula, King George Island, South Shetland Islands	SSSI No 5 [formerly SPA No 12]	
126	Byers Peninsula, Livingston Island, South Shetland Islands	SSSI No 6 [formerly SPA No 10]	
127	Haswell Island	SSSI No 7	
128	Western shore of Admiralty Bay, King George Island	SSSI No 8	2000
129	Rothera Point, Adelaide Island	SSSI No 9	1996
	Caughley Beach, Cape Bird, Ross Island	SSSI No 10 [incorporated into SPA No 20]	
130	'Tramway Ridge', Mount Erebus, Ross Island	SSSI No 11	1995
131	Canada Glacier, Lake Fryxell, Taylor Valley, Victoria Land	SSSI No 12	1997
132	Potter Peninsula, King George Island, South Shetland Islands	SSSI No 13	1997
133	Harmony Point, Nelson Island, South Shetland Islands	SSSI No 14	1997
134	Cierva Point and offshore islands, Danco Coast, Antarctic Peninsula	SSSI No 15	1997
135	North-eastern Bailey Peninsula, Budd Coast, Wilkes Land	SSSI No 16	
136	Clark Peninsula, Budd Coast, Wilkes Land	SSSI No 17	2000
137	North-western White Island, McMurdo Sound	SSSI No 18	
138	Linnaeus Terrace, Asgard Range, Victoria Land	SSSI No 19	1996
139	Biscoe Point, Anvers Island	SSSI No 20	
140	Parts of Deception Island, South Shetland Islands	SSSI No 21	
141	'Yukidori Valley', Langhovde, Lützow-Holmbukta	SSSI No 22	2000
142	Svarthamaren, Mühlig-Hofmannfjella, Dronning Maud Land	SSSI No 23	1999
118	Summit of Mount Melbourne, North Victoria Land	SSSI No 24	
143	Marine Plain, Mule Peninsula, Vestfold Hills, Princess Elizabeth Land	SSSI No 25	
144	Chile Bay (Discovery Bay), Greenwich Island, South Shetland Islands	SSSI No 26	
145	Port Foster, Deception Island, South Shetland Islands	SSSI No 27	
146	South Bay, Doumer Island, Palmer Archipelago	SSSI No 28	
147	Ablation Point-Ganymede Heights, Alexander Island	SSSI No 29	
	Avian Island, off Adelaide Island, Antarctic Peninsula	SSSI No 30 [redesignated SPA No 21]	
148	Mount Flora, Hope Bay, Antarctic Peninsula	SSSI No 31	
149	Cape Shirreff, Livingston Island, South Shetland Islands	SSSI No 32 [formerly SPA No 11]	
150	Ardley Island, Maxwell Bay, King George Island	SSSI No 33	
151	Lions Rump, King George Island, South Shetland Islands	SSSI No 34	2000
152	Western Bransfield Strait off Low Island, South Shetland Islands	SSSI No 35	
153	Eastern Dallmann Bay off Brabant Island, Palmer Archipelago	SSSI No 36	
154	Botany Bay, Cape Geology, Victoria Land	SSSI No 37 [includes HSM No 67]	1997
155	Cape Evans, Ross Island	SPA No 25 [includes HSM Nos 16 & 17]	1997
156	Lewis Bay, Mount Erebus, Ross Island	SPA No 26 [designated a Tomb in 1981]	1997
157	Backdoor Bay, Cape Royds, Ross Island	SPA No 27 [includes HSM No 15]	1998
158	Hut Point, Ross Island	SPA No 28 [includes HSM No 18]	1998
159	Cape Adare, Borchgrevink Coast	SPA No 29 [includes HSM No 22]	1998

## DECISION 2 (2002)

### *Emblem of the Antarctic Treaty*

*Desiring* to provide a clear identity to the work of the ATCM and its Secretariat;

*Conscious* that there exists a design traditionally employed by the Antarctic Treaty parties to identify their work, but that the design has no formal status;

*Believing* that the adoption of such a design would enhance presentationally the work of the ATCM and its Secretariat when located in Buenos Aires;

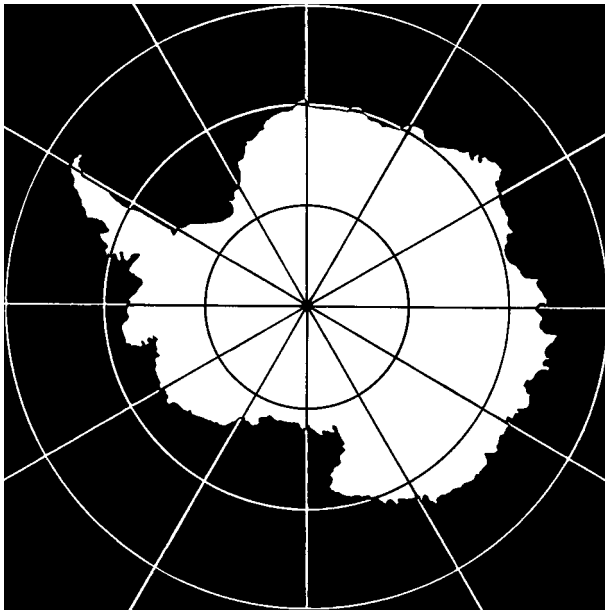
*Decide:*

1. That the design annexed to this Decision shall constitute the formal emblem of the Antarctic Treaty.

2. That it may be used by:

- The Secretariat of the Antarctic Treaty;
- The host state of the ATCM or Special ATCM in the period of preparation for and during a Consultative Meeting;
- By any other Consultative Party when hosting other meetings under the auspices of the Antarctic Treaty of its Environmental Protocol;
- By others with the authority of the ATCM.

3. That the design shall be shown on the official Reports of the ATCM and may be employed at the premises of the Antarctic Treaty Secretariat, on its official means of transport, as well as on stationary, electronic communications, reports, flags, signs, etc.

*Annex to Decision 2 (2002)***DECISION 3 (2002)***The Status of ATCM Recommendations*

The Representatives,

*Conscious* of the significant number of measures\* adopted by previous Antarctic Treaty Consultative Meetings;

*Desiring* to clarify which of these measures, whether approved or not, still require action by the Parties;

*Recognising* that some of these measures are **spent** as a result of the passing of a specific event, or of time;

*Recognising* also that the review of measures is an ongoing process required to maintain an accurate record of the instruments of the ATCM, and their content if relevant;

*Decide* that,

- the measures listed in Annex A are spent;
- as such, these measures will require no further action by the Parties; and they will continue the review of measures adopted at ATCM I to XXIV, on an informal basis, intersessionally so that further consideration can be undertaken concerning which other measures may be considered spent, superseded or otherwise obsolete at ATCM XXVI.

\* adopted (under Article IX of the Antarctic Treaty) in the form of Recommendations up to ATCM XIX (1995).

*Appendix to Decision 3 (2002) Spent recommendations***I-11 (Canberra, 1961) Spent**

*Consultative Parties to convene a meeting of experts in Antarctic radio communications*

The Representatives recommend to their Governments:

1. that they convene as soon as practicable a meeting of specialists in Antarctic radio communications;

2. that this meeting of specialists should discuss the telecommunications facilities needed for scientific, technical and other purposes in the Treaty Area, and their use;
3. that the meeting should take into consideration:
  - a. the requirements of governments;
  - b. the viewpoint of the United Nations Specialized Agencies and other international organizations having a scientific or technical interest in Antarctic communications;
  - c. the relevant recommendations of the Communications Working Group of SCAR;
  - d. the experience of the various Antarctic expeditions;
4. that the meeting should examine and make recommendations regarding such matters as:
  - a. the routing required to meet demands of users most effectively;
  - b. the modes of transmission;
  - c. the power requirements for effective reception;
  - d. the rationalization of schedules and the evaluation of priorities for traffic in normal and post blackout conditions;
  - e. new developments in the field of communications relevant to Antarctic requirements;
  - f. emergency radio procedures;
  - g. such other matters of an engineering or traffic nature as may be appropriate;
5. that the governments should consult regarding the date, place and definitive agenda of the meeting, and as to which Specialized Agencies and other internal organizations referred to in paragraph 3(b) should be informed of the meeting and be invited to send observers.

**I-15 (Canberra, 1961) Spent***ATCM II*

The Representatives recommend to their Governments that they accept the offer by the delegation of Argentina of the city of Buenos Aires as the seat of the second consultative meeting under Article IX of the Antarctic Treaty, to be held on a date mutually decided upon by the Participating Governments.

**II-3 (Buenos Aires, 1962) Spent**

*Meeting of Antarctic radio communications specialists to be held between 1 May and 31 August 1963*

The Representatives, taking into consideration Recommendation I-XI of the First Consultative Meeting concerning Antarctic radio communications, recommend to their Governments that the proposed meeting of specialists in Antarctic radio communications would take place between 1st May and 31st August 1963, on a date and at a place to be fixed.

**II-5 (Buenos Aires, 1962) Spent***Consultative Parties to hold an Expert Meeting on logistics*

The Representatives recommend to their Governments that in view of Recommendation I-VII of the First Consultative Meeting designed to achieve one of the objectives of the Antarctic Treaty, namely

1. the creation of conditions necessary for carrying out scientific investigation, and in view of the logistic symposium organized by SCAR which is soon to take place:
  - a. a meeting or symposium of experts should be held, to review the present state of knowledge acquired on the organization of expeditions, logistic support and transport, in order to evaluate such knowledge;
  - b. consultations be held during the preparations for the next Consultative Meeting to fix a suitable date, place, organization and agenda for such meeting or symposium.

**II-8 (Buenos Aires, 1962) Spent***Consultative Parties to encourage cooperation with regard to the International Year of the Quiet Sun (1964/5)*

The Representatives recommend to their Governments that they should encourage, by whatever means they consider appropriate, international cooperation and the exchange of scientific personnel, observations and results, in connexion with their respective national programmes of Antarctic scientific investigation and research associated with the International Year of the Quiet Sun

**II-10 (Buenos Aires, 1962) Spent***ATCM III*

The Representatives recommend that their Governments accept the offer made by the Delegation of Belgium, to the effect that the Third Consultative Meeting under Article IX of the Antarctic Treaty be held in Brussels.

This Meeting will be held on a date to be decided upon by agreement among the participating governments.

**III-3 (Brussels, 1964) Spent***Arrangements for the Expert Meeting on logistics to be considered at the ATCM IV preparatory meeting*

In view of the Recommendations by the First and Second Consultative Meetings (I-VII and II-V) concerning logistics;

Taking into consideration the Logistics Symposium which took place at Boulder, Colorado, USA, in August 1962, under the auspices of the Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research (SCAR), and the Report on this Symposium published in 1963;

The Representatives recommend to their Governments that the organization, agenda, date and place for the inter-

governmental meeting of experts, on the present state of knowledge about useful aspects of logistic activities in the Antarctic to which the above recommendations refer, be considered during the preparatory meetings for the Fourth Consultative meeting.

**III-4 (Brussels, 1964) Spent***ATCM IV*

The Representatives recommend to their Governments that they accept the offer of the Chilean Delegation to hold the Fourth Consultative Meeting under Article IX of the Antarctic Treaty, in Santiago, Chile.

The Meeting shall take place at a date which will be agreed upon by the participating Governments.

**III-5 (Brussels, 1964) Spent***Consultative Parties approve and implement the recommendations of the June '63 Telecommunications Meeting, and to continue consultations*

The Representatives, noting that experts met in an Antarctic Treaty Meeting on Telecommunications in Washington from 24th to 28th June 1963, follow upon Recommendations I-XI and II-III of the First and Second Consultative Meetings, and in accordance with Recommendation II-IX, recommend to their Governments that they take the necessary steps to approve and implement as soon as practicable those recommendations of the Telecommunications Meeting which they find themselves able to approve, taking into consideration (a) and (b) below.

The Representatives, pointing out the useful and important work effected by the Telecommunications Meeting at Washington, recommend to their Governments that they:

- a. Continue their consultations with a view to effecting further improvement in coordinating telecommunications activities.
- b. During the Preparatory Meetings for the next Consultative Meeting, examine the results of the Recommendations made by the Washington Telecommunications Meeting, and consider measures to improve Antarctic radio communications in the future.

**III-6 (Brussels, 1964) Spent***Consultative Parties to examine questions concerning expert meetings and come back to it during ATCM IV*

The Representatives, recognizing the importance of the problem raised during the examination of Item 7 (that is, the Item entitled 'Questions concerning Meetings of Specialists'), recommend their governments to examine this question attentively before the Fourth Consultative Meeting and to consider including it on the Agenda of that Meeting.

**III-9 (Brussels, 1964) Spent**

*Agreed Measures to be used as guidelines until approved*

The Representatives recommend to their Governments that until such time as the Agreed Measures on the Conservation of Antarctic Fauna and Flora may become effective in accordance with Article IX of the Antarctic Treaty, these Agreed Measures as far as feasible be considered as guide lines in this interim period.

**IV-20 (Santiago, 1966) Spent**

*Consultative Parties to consider Recommendations IV-1 to IV-19 as guidelines until the Agreed Measures are approved*

The Representatives recommend to their Governments that, until such time as the Agreed Measures on the Conservation of Antarctic Fauna and Flora may become effective in accordance with Article IX of the Antarctic Treaty, the following Recommendations as far as feasible be considered as guidelines in the interim period. Recommendations IV-1 to IV-19 inclusive.

**IV-25 (Santiago, 1966) Spent**

*Meeting in Japan on logistic cooperation*

The Representatives recommend to their Governments that they accept the offer made by the Government of Japan to hold a meeting on logistics in Japan in June 1968.

1. The meeting will be held in furtherance of principles and objectives of the Antarctic Treaty.
2. The meeting will be for a period of about one week and will be attended by experts in selected fields. The meeting will have the following terms of reference:
  - a. to discuss problems in the fields of Antarctic logistics specified in paragraph 3 below;
  - b. to exchange views on possible solutions which have been tried recently;
  - c. to examine critically new solutions which may be proposed in papers submitted at the meeting.
3. The fields for discussion will include aspects of:
  - a. design of buildings and building services, including waste disposal and water supply
  - b. oversnow transport
  - c. air transport, including airfields
  - d. sea transport
  - e. safety measures
  - f. new and urgent problems which Governments agree require discussion.

**IV-26 (Santiago, 1966) Spent**

*Consultative Parties to include an item on telecommunications in the agenda of ATCM V*

Considering the need to keep up to date the traffic system of Antarctic radio communications and to transmit observational data from the Treaty Area to

the world system for the collection and transmission of meteorological information:

The Representatives recommend to their Governments that, before the Consultative Meeting scheduled to take place in Paris in 1968, they consider including in the Agenda an examination of the Recommendations made by the Washington Meeting on Telecommunications in 1963, in the light of conditions prevailing in 1968

**IV-28 (Santiago, 1966) Spent**

*ATCM V*

The Representatives recommend to their Governments that they accept the offer of the French Delegation to hold a Consultative Meeting under Article IX of the Antarctic Treaty in Paris in 1968, on a date to be agreed upon by the Consultative Governments.

**V-1 (Paris, 1968) Spent**

*Consultative Parties to issue stamps to commemorate the Tenth Anniversary of the Antarctic Treaty*

The Representatives recommend to their Governments:

- 1) that, on the occasion of the Tenth Anniversary of the entry into force of the Antarctic Treaty, each Consultative Party should issue a commemorative postage stamp during 1971;
- 2) that this stamp should bear, in the language or languages of each issuing country, the following words: 'Antarctic Treaty 1961-71';
- 3) that the most prominent feature of the stamp should be the Antarctic Treaty emblem representing a map of Antarctica which appears on the official documents of Consultative Meetings;
- 4) that any additional matter should be consonant with the provisions and the spirit of the Antarctic Treaty;
- 5) that the denominations of the stamp should remain at the discretion of each issuing country.

**V-4 (Paris, 1968) Spent**

*Consultative Parties to draw up a list of historic monuments and further to consider the matter at ATCM VI*

The Representatives,

Recalling Recommendation I-IX,

Recommend to their Governments:

1. that a list of historic monuments which should be preserved be drawn up;
2. that each Government circulate a list of historic monuments through diplomatic channels to other Consultative Governments;
3. that this subject be considered further at the next Consultative Meeting;
4. that, in the meantime, they do what is feasible to ensure the survival as far as possible of any historic monument which has been included on any list circulated under paragraph 2.



**V-8 (Paris, 1968) Spent***Consultative Parties to study draft CCAS before ATCM VI*

The Representatives,

Having had a preliminary exchange of views at the Fifth Consultative Meeting on the draft Convention for the Regulation of Antarctic Pelagic Sealing annexed to the Final Report of the Meeting [not reproduced];

Recognizing the need to study the preparation of such a Convention;

Recommend to their Governments that, before the next Consultative Meeting, they study the draft Convention with a view to its consideration at that Meeting.

**V-9 (Paris, 1968) Spent***ATCM VI*

The Representatives recommend to their governments that they accept the offer by the Delegation of Japan to hold the Sixth Consultative Meeting under Article IX of the Antarctic Treaty in Tokyo on a date in 1970 to be mutually decided upon by the Consultative Governments.

**VI-15 (Tokyo, 1970) Spent***ATCM VII*

The Representatives,

Recommend to their Governments that they accept the offer by the Delegation of New Zealand to hold the Seventh Consultative Meeting under Article IX of the Antarctic Treaty in Wellington, on a date in 1972 to be mutually decided upon by the Consultative Governments.

**IX-3 (London, 1977) Spent***Consultative Parties to collect data on Antarctic telecommunications, to exchange these among themselves, to ask SCAR for advice and to arrange for another Expert Meeting*

The Representatives,

Considering that requirements in the field of telecommunications as regards collection and dissemination of meteorological data, and the need for scientific, administrative and operational traffic have developed substantially since the second telecommunications meeting of experts of the Consultative Parties held in Buenos Aires in 1969;

Considering that the implementation of Recommendation VI-1 and VII-7, and participation in the programmes of the World Meteorological Organisation, particularly the World Weather Watch, require a thorough review and improvement of the network operating in the Antarctic;

Recommend to their Governments that they:

1. Compile comprehensive data, each for its own part, on the types of traffic, modes of transmission, timing, frequencies of their telecommunications schedules

and current equipment of their telecommunications programmes in the Antarctic, as well as on projects in the process of implementation and proposed improvements, in particular by designating, where appropriate, stations capable of replacing others in the event of breakdown;

2. Forward all such data to each of the other Consultative parties via diplomatic channels on the one hand and on the other by direct despatch to the departments concerned;
3. Arrange for a meeting of telecommunications experts to be held, on the initiative of the Government of the host country, before the Tenth Consultative Meeting, to analyze the data thus compiled, suggest desirable measures of harmonization and put forward recommendations on improvements to be made. In the operation of the telecommunications network in the Antarctic;
4. Request SCAR through their National Antarctic Committees to undertake, at the earliest opportunity, a study of the most recent applications of science and technology to the specific problems of the Antarctic in the field of propagation of radio waves, and to pass on its conclusions to the Consultative Parties prior to their Tenth Meeting or if necessary to the next Consultative Meetings.

**X-9 (Washington, 1979) Spent***Consultative Parties to thank the Antarctic scientific community and to consider ways of commemorating the 20th anniversary of the Antarctic Treaty*

The Representatives,

Noting that the Tenth Antarctic Treaty Consultative Meeting marks the twentieth anniversary of the signature in Washington of the Antarctic Treaty and that the Eleventh Consultative Meeting in Argentina will mark the twentieth anniversary of its entry into force;

Recalling the second preambular paragraph of the Antarctic Treaty in which it is recognized that is in the interest of all mankind that Antarctica shall continue forever to be used exclusively for peaceful purposes and shall not become the scene or object of international discord;

Conscious of:

- a. the responsibility assumed by the Consultative Parties for the Protection of the environment and the wise use of the Treaty area;
- b. the increased understanding of the Antarctic and of its relationship to the world as a whole that has resulted from the endeavours of the Antarctic scientific community;
- c. the benefits derived from the coordination of Antarctic scientific research through the Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research (SCAR), its subsidiary institutions and from its cooperation with other international organizations having a scientific or technical interest in the Antarctic; and

- d. the value of the scientific advice from SCAR, requested by their Governments through their respective National Antarctic Committees, in connection with the development of the Antarctic Treaty system;

Recommend to their Governments that:

I. Scientific research

Through their respective National Antarctic Committees, or the offices administering their Antarctic research programmes, as appropriate, they express their gratitude to the members of the Antarctic scientific community, past and present, and to SCAR for the devoted service which they have given to the achievement of a better understanding of the Antarctic and to the development of the Antarctic Treaty System;

II. Commemoration of the twentieth anniversary of the entry into force of the Antarctic Treaty

1. They consider suitable ways of commemorating the twentieth anniversary of the entry into force of the Antarctic Treaty, including the possibility of issuing a commemorative postage stamp during 1981 on the lines indicated in Recommendation V-1;
2. Any commemorative event should be consonant with the provisions and spirit of the Antarctic Treaty.

**XI-2 (Buenos Aires, 1981) Spent**

*Consultative Parties to seek the earliest possible entry into force of CCAMLR and to facilitate early operation of bodies for which CCAMLR provides*

The Representatives,

Recalling the responsibilities of the Consultative Parties regarding the conservation of Antarctic marine living resources;

Recalling further the history of actions taken by Consultative Parties concerning protection of the Antarctic ecosystem, including in particular, Recommendations III-VIII, VIII-10, VIII-13, IX-2, 1X-5 and X-2;

Welcoming the conclusion of the Convention on the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources at a diplomatic conference held in Canberra, Australia in May 1980 and the signature of that convention, also in Canberra, Australia in September 1980;

Noting that a meeting is to be held later this year in Hobart, Tasmania to consider steps to facilitate the early operation of the Commission, the Scientific Committee and the Executive Secretariat to be established under the Convention on the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources,

Recommend to their Governments that:

1. They seek the earliest possible entry into force of the Convention on the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources; and

2. They take all possible steps to facilitate the early operation of the bodies to be established by the Convention on the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources upon entry into force.

**XIV-9 (Rio de Janeiro, 1987) Spent**

*Consultative Parties to convene an Expert Meeting on air safety*

The Representatives,

Recalling Recommendation 1-X;

Recognizing the importance of safe air operations in the Antarctic and:

- i. that there is a wide range of problems in air operations which are becoming more important and urgent with increasing activity;
- ii. that the principal body of knowledge and experience of Antarctic air operations, and its current problems, lies with the operators of national Antarctic programmes;

Recommend to their Governments that:

1. Arrangements be made for a meeting of experts in accordance with Recommendation IV-24, to be held well in advance of the Fifteenth Consultative Meeting, at a time and place to be decided through diplomatic channels, and that the host Government for the XVth Consultative Meeting should initiate the necessary consultations. Delegations from Consultative Parties to the meeting should include experts with direct experience in Antarctic operations. In the course of preparing for the meeting, consideration shall be given to the invitation of ICAO and other experts to attend the meeting in accordance with paragraph 1 of Recommendation IV-24 (e.g. WMO, ITU);
2. The terms of reference for the meeting shall be to provide for:
  - i. avoidance of inter-operator air-incidents;
  - ii. mutual assistance in the course of Antarctic operations, including medical evacuations;
  - iii. coordinated measures to improve search and rescue procedures;
3. In the fulfillment of these terms of reference, the meeting shall have regard to:
  - i. existing systems for safe air operations;
  - ii. means of mutually coordinating air traffic movements in Antarctica;
  - iii. means of ensuring adequate communications between operators originating air traffic movements, between aircraft and stations in the vicinity of their operations and between aircraft, including consideration of the possible advantages of satellite communications and adoption of predetermined radio frequencies;
  - iv. means of rapidly initiating search and rescue operations, including the advantages of using

- common dedicated calling frequencies and of coordinating subsequent operations;
- v. how best to ensure that, all operators in the Antarctic are aware of air-operational safety requirements and search and rescue procedures;
  - vi. air operations from ships.
4. In order to facilitate the work of the Meeting they provide relevant information to the host government, preferably 3 months in advance of the meeting, for circulation to other Consultative Parties. An indicative list of such information is set out in the Annex to this recommendation.
  5. The report of the meeting be circulated to all Consultative Parties and be referred for consideration at the XVth Consultative Meeting in accordance with Paragraphs 3 and 4 of Recommendation IV-24.

### **Annex**

The following information is an indicative list of the relevant information to be circulated to all Consultative Parties prior to the Meeting of Experts in Air Safety in Antarctica as recommended at the XIVth Consultative Meeting:

- i. current areas of air operation;
- ii. period and frequency of operation;
- iii. types of aircraft used and their navigation and communication equipment;
- iv. operating altitudes and ranges;
- v. other airborne devices (e.g. balloons, rockets) or other uses of air space in Antarctica
- vi. runway length, width, slope, orientation, surface type and condition, load capacity and markings;
- vii. Radio Direction Finding and Distance Measuring equipment;
- viii. navigation aids, including beacon power and frequencies and communications equipment;
- ix. features in the vicinity of landing facilities which could be hazardous to aircraft;
- x. prevailing weather conditions of significance to air operations in the vicinity of landing facilities;
- xi. service facilities;
- xii. type and specification of fuel used;
- xiii. operating times of landing and communication facilities;
- xiv. available air navigation charts and published visual and instrument approach procedures;
- xv. medical facilities available, including medical personnel, and whether stations have trained search and rescue personnel.

### **XV-22 (Paris, 1989) Spent**

*Consultative Parties to issue a commemorative stamp on the 30th anniversary of the Antarctic Treaty*

The Representatives,

Recommend to their Governments that:

1. On the occasion of the Thirtieth Anniversary of the entry into force of the Antarctic Treaty, each

consultative party should issue a commemorative stamp (or stamps) on a common date in 1991 (e.g. 23 June 1991).

2. The stamp (or stamps) should bear, in the language or languages of each issuing country, the following words: 'Antarctic Treaty 1961–1991'
3. Consideration be given to the themes of protecting the Antarctic environment and international cooperation in Antarctic scientific research for the most prominent features of the design.
4. There should be incorporated into the design of the stamp (or stamps), the Antarctic Treaty emblem representing a map of Antarctica which appears on the official documents of Consultative Meetings.
5. Any additional matter should be consonant with the provisions and the spirit of the Antarctic Treaty.
6. The number of stamps to be issued and the denominations of the stamp or stamps should remain at the discretion of the issuing country.

### **XVI-13 (Bonn, 1991) Spent**

*Intersessional meeting to be held to make proposals on tourism and non-governmental activities to ATCM XVII*

The Representatives,

Bearing in mind that the XVth Consultative Meeting agreed that a comprehensive review of tourism and non-governmental activities was required;

Noting that the Protocol on Environmental Protection to the Antarctic Treaty and its Annexes apply to tourist and non-governmental activities in Antarctica;

Recalling that the XIth Special Consultative Meeting asked the XVIth Consultative Meeting to address the issue of tourism and non-governmental activities;

Acknowledging that the Protocol constitutes the framework for further progress in Antarctic environmental protection; Concerned about the possible effect of increased tourism and non-governmental activities in Antarctica;

Conscious of the need to ensure that the presence of tourists and other visitors in Antarctica be regulated so as to limit adverse impacts on the Antarctic environment; Recommend to their Governments that:

1. An informal meeting of the Parties be convened with a view to making proposals to the XVIIth Consultative Meeting on the question of a comprehensive regulation of tourist and non-governmental activities in Antarctica in accordance with the Protocol and taking into account the proposals made at the present XVIth Consultative Meeting, including proposals for a future Annex to the Protocol on Environmental Protection;
2. Prior to the convening of that meeting and in order to ensure due preparation of its work, proposals should be prepared by them taking into account the list of issues stated below, which meeting should, inter alia, primarily address:



- a. environmental issues
  - implementation of the Protocol on Environmental Protection to the Antarctic Treaty and its Annexes
  - number of tourists/carrying capacity
  - homologation of standards relating to vessels
  - permanent infrastructure for tourists
  - concentration/dispersal of tourist activities
  - access to unexplored areas
- b. operational issues
  - notification and expansion of information to be exchanged
  - system for granting permission to visit stations
  - self sufficiency
  - insurance, including search and rescue insurance
  - information obligation of Parties
  - preparation and training of tour guides, and visitors' guides
  - examination of the need for specific kinds of control and monitoring
  - requirements for organizational procedures
3. The meeting shall begin its work in Venice on 9 November 1992.
4. Representatives of the WTO, IUCN, IAATO, IMO, ASOC, PATA, SCAR and COMNAP be invited to attend the Meeting as observers.

#### **DECISION 4 (2002)**

##### ***Revised Guidelines for Document Translation and Distribution***

The attached "Revised Guidelines for Document Translation and Distribution" shall replace the "Guideline. Pre-sessional Document Circulation and Document Handling" with immediate effect.

1. These guidelines apply to the distribution and translation of official papers for the Consultative Meetings. These papers consist of Working Papers and Information Papers.
2. A Working Paper prepared by Consultative Parties and Observers, and an Information Paper which a Consultative Party has requested be translated, should be received by the Host Government and, after the establishment of the Antarctic Treaty Secretariat by the Secretariat, no later than 45 days before the Consultative Meeting. Information Papers for which a translation has been requested should not exceed 30 pages.
3. The Host Government and, after the establishment of the Antarctic Treaty Secretariat the Secretariat, should receive Information Papers for which no translation has been requested no later than 30 days before the Meeting.
4. When a revised version of a Paper made after its initial submission is resubmitted to the Host Government and, after the establishment of the Antarctic Treaty Secretariat to the Secretariat, for translation, the revised text should

indicate clearly the amendments that have been incorporated.

5. The Papers should be transmitted to the Host Government and, after the establishment of the Antarctic Treaty Secretariat to the Secretariat, by electronic means whenever feasible.
6. Distribution of the Papers should be via the ATCM Home Page whenever feasible. Working Papers, which were received before the 45 days limit, should be publicized this way as soon as possible and in any case not later than 30 days before the Meeting.
7. Working Papers and Information Papers, for which a translation has not been requested according to rule 2 above, may also be presented to the Host Government and, after the establishment of the Antarctic Treaty Secretariat to the Secretariat, during the Meeting for translation.
8. No Working Paper or Information Paper submitted to the ATCM will be used as the basis for discussion at the ATCM unless it has been translated into the four official languages.
9. The Host Government and after the establishment of the Antarctic Treaty Secretariat the Secretariat, should within three months of the end of the Consultative Meeting circulate through diplomatic channels and also pose on the ATCM Home Page the Final Report of that Meeting in the four official languages.

#### **RESOLUTION 1 (2002)**

##### ***Review of Conservation Status of Antarctic Species***

The Representatives,

*Noting* that the provisions of Article 8 of Annex II to the Environmental Protocol require that the Consultative Parties keep under continuing review measures for the conservation of Antarctic fauna and flora,

*Recalling* Resolution 2 2002(1999), which had charged SCAR with a review of the list of Specially Protected Species included in Appendix A to the Environmental Protocol,

*Taking into account* that the CEP has noted the need to assess the status of native species to justify designation as Antarctic Specially Protected Species, on the basis of the IUCN criteria used to evaluate designation as (at least) "Vulnerable" in the IUCN Red List scheme,

*Aware* that SCAR, through its expert bodies has the necessary data and expertise to provide independent scientific advice to the ATCM in this field,

*Recommend* that:

SCAR be requested to:

- assist the ATCM in reviewing (in close cooperation with IUCN) of the current status of all species which occur in the Antarctic Treaty Area, included as "vulnerable", "endangered" or "critically endangered" in the IUCN Red List; taking into consideration regional differences in status;

- conduct a similar review for those species which occur in the Antarctic Treaty Area included in the IUCN Red List as “data deficient” or “near threatened”;
- undertake, as a later step, a further assessment of all other indigenous species not included in such categories of the IUCN Red List, and
- report to the CEP on progress on these issues.

#### RESOLUTION 2 (2002)

##### *Revision of Antarctic Specially Protected Area Management Plans*

The Representatives,

*Welcoming* the entry into force of Annex V to the Environmental Protocol on 24 May 2002;

*Recalling* Resolution 1 (1998) on the allocation of responsibilities for revision of protected area management plans;

*Noting* that the management plans for many ASPAs have yet to be revised in the format required by Annex V;

Urge:

Those Parties that have yet to revise management plans in the format of Annex V take steps to do so at the earliest opportunity, with a view to their submission at CEP VII.

#### RESOLUTION 3 (2002)

##### *Support for CCAMLR and action to combat Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing for Dissostichus spp (toothfish)*

The Representatives,

*Recalling* XXIII ATCM Resolution 3 (1999), XII ATSCM Resolution 2 (2000) and XXIV ATCM Resolution 2 (2001) regarding support for the Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources in its continued efforts to deal with the problem of illegal, unreported and unregulated (IUU) fishing in the Convention Area; and

*Recognizing* that illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing threatens the conservation objectives of the Convention on the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources, and thus is undermining the integrity of the Antarctic Treaty System;

Recommend that:

Parties to the Antarctic Treaty which are Party to the Convention on the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources, but not yet members of its Commission, take immediate steps to implement all relevant Conservation Measures adopted by CCAMLR, in particular Measures relating to the Dissostichus Catch Documentation Scheme; and

Parties to the Antarctic Treaty which are not Party to the Convention on the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources but which nevertheless are involved in the harvesting and trade of toothfish, consider acceding to the Convention and, in the meantime, agree voluntarily

to implement the Dissostichus Catch Documentation Scheme.

#### MEASURE 1 (2002)

##### *Antarctic Protected Area System: Management Plans for Antarctic Specially Protected Areas*

The Representatives,

*Recalling* Resolution 1 (1998) allocating responsibility among Consultative Parties for the revision of Management Plans for Protected areas;

*Noting* that the draft Management Plans appended to this Measure have been endorsed by the Committee for Environmental Protection and the Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research (SCAR);

*Recognizing* that these Areas support outstanding natural features and biota of scientific interest;

*Recommend* to their Governments the following Measure for approval in accordance with paragraph 1 of Article 6 of Annex V to the Protocol on Environmental Protection to the Antarctic treaty:

That the Management Plans for the following sites:

- Antarctic Specially Protected Area No 106, Cape Hallett, Northern Victoria Land, Ross Sea;
- Antarctic Specially Protected Area No 107, Emperor Island, Dion Islands;
- Antarctic Specially Protected Area No 108, Green Island, Berthelot Islands;
- Antarctic Specially Protected Area No 117, Avian Island, Marguerite Bay;
- Antarctic Specially Protected Area No 121, Cape Royds, Ross Island;
- Antarctic Specially Protected Area No 123, Barwick and Balham Valleys, South Victoria Land
- Antarctic Specially Protected Area No 124, Cape Crozier, Ross Island;
- Antarctic Specially Protected Area No 126, Byers Peninsula, Livingston Island;
- Antarctic Specially Protected Area No 130, “Tramway Ridge”, Mount Erebus, Ross Island;
- Antarctic Specially Protected Area No 137, Northwest White Island, McMurdo Sound;
- Antarctic Specially Protected Area No 147, Ablation Point – Ganymede Heights;
- Antarctic Specially Protected Area No 148, Mount Flora, Hope Bay;
- Antarctic Specially Protected Area No 157, Backdoor Bay, Cape Royds, Ross Island.

and which are annexed to this Measure, be adopted.

That the management plan for Cape Royds, Ross Island (ASP No 121) be approved by the ATCM subject to the agreement by the Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources.

**Note:** A summary of the Management Plan for Antarctic Specially Protected Area No 106 is reproduced here.

Management Plan for  
Antarctic Specially Protected Area (ASPA) No. 106  
**CAPE HALLETT, NORTHERN VICTORIA LAND,  
ROSS SEA**  
(Lat. 72°19'S, Long. 170°16'E)

### 1. Description of values to be protected

In addition to the ecological and scientific values described, the Area possesses outstanding aesthetic values, with its combination of prolific biological resources and the impressive surrounding scenery of Edisto Inlet and Mt. Herschel (3,335 m).

### 2. Aims and objectives

- avoid degradation of, or substantial risk to, the values of the Area by preventing unnecessary human disturbance;
- permit scientific research;
- allow environmental clean-up and remediation;
- minimize the possibility of introduction of alien plants, animals and microbes;
- allow visits to the managed zone;
- allow visits for management purposes.

### 3. Management activities

- Signs showing the location, boundaries and clearly stating entry restrictions shall be placed at appropriate locations at the boundaries of the Area.
- Markers, signs or structures erected within the Area for scientific or management purposes shall be secured and maintained in good condition, and removed when no longer necessary.
- Visits shall be made as necessary (no less than once every five years) to assess whether the Area continues to serve the purposes for which it was designated and to ensure that management and maintenance measures are adequate.
- National Antarctic programs operating in the region shall consult together for the purpose of ensuring that the above provisions are implemented.

### 4. Period of designation

Designated for an indefinite period.

### 5. Maps

Map A: Cape Hallett Antarctic Specially Protected Area No. 106 topographic map.

Inset: The Moubay Bay region of Northern Victoria Land, Ross Sea

### 6. Description of the Area

*6(i) Geographical coordinates, boundary markers and natural features*

Cape Hallett is located at the southern end of Moubay Bay, Northern Victoria Land, in the western Ross Sea. The protected area occupies ice-free ground of a cusped spit of low elevation known as Seabee Hook and includes

the adjacent western slopes of the north end of the Hallett Peninsula (Map A).

*6(ii) Restricted and managed zones within the Area*

A managed zone is designated on Seabee Hook to allow access by tourist expeditions to the Area subject to permit and the provisions of this management plan. The managed zone encompasses the site of the former station, and extends from the northeast corner (170°13'00"E, 72°40'00"S) at a rocky part of the north shoreline on Seabee Hook, due south for 118 m to a series of mounds used by breeding penguins. The boundary extends 205 m west following the north side of these mounds, south of a region which was levelled for construction of Hallett Station, to the USGS geodetic station 'Fisher' (170°12'40"E, 72°19'07"S) which is set in a prominent concrete block structure (2×1×1 m). The boundary extends from 'Fisher' 150 m due west to a point 25 m inland from the coastline. The boundary of the managed zone then extends south as a 25 m wide coastal 'corridor' around the shores of Seabee Hook to an easternmost point at the northernmost point of Willett Cove (170°13'18"E, 72°19'08"S).

*6(iii) Structures within and near the Area*

Cape Hallett Station was established on Seabee Hook in December 1956 and closed in February 1973. The USGS geodetic station 'Fisher' (170°12'39.916"E, 72°19'06.7521"S) is situated 70 m SE of the centre of the SE side of the dome building (1996 position) and 24 m south of the SE corner of the southernmost hut.

*6(iv) Location of other protected areas within close proximity of the Area*

The nearest protected areas to Cape Hallett are Mt. Melbourne (ASPA-118) and Cryptogam Ridge (ASPA-118) (also on Mt. Melbourne), Victoria Land, near Wood Bay, 240 km to the south.

### 7. Permit conditions

Entry into the Area is prohibited except in accordance with a permit.

*7(i) Access to and movement within the Area*

Access into the Area shall be by small boat, foot or by helicopter. Access to the managed zone shall be on foot or by small boat from the coast of Seabee Hook (Map A). All pedestrian traffic should be kept to the minimum necessary. Visitors should avoid walking on visible vegetation.

*7(ii) Activities that may be conducted in the Area*

- scientific research;
- essential management activities;
- visits to the managed zone for historical, educational or recreational purposes;

*7(iii) Installation, modification or removal of structures*

No structures are to be erected within the Area except as specified in a permit. All scientific equipment installed in the Area must be authorized by permit and clearly

identified by country, name of the principal investigator and year of installation.

7(iv) Location of field camps

Permanent field camps are prohibited within the Area. Temporary camping is permitted (see Map A).

7(v) Restrictions on materials and organisms that can be brought into the Area

No living animals, plant material, microorganisms or soils shall be deliberately introduced into the Area, and precautions shall be taken against accidental introductions. Fuel, food, and other materials are not to be deposited in the Area.

7(vi) Taking or harmful interference with native flora or fauna

Taking or harmful interference of native flora and fauna is prohibited.

7(vii) Collection or removal of anything not introduced by a visitor

Material may be collected or removed from the Area only in accordance with a permit.

7(viii) Disposal of waste

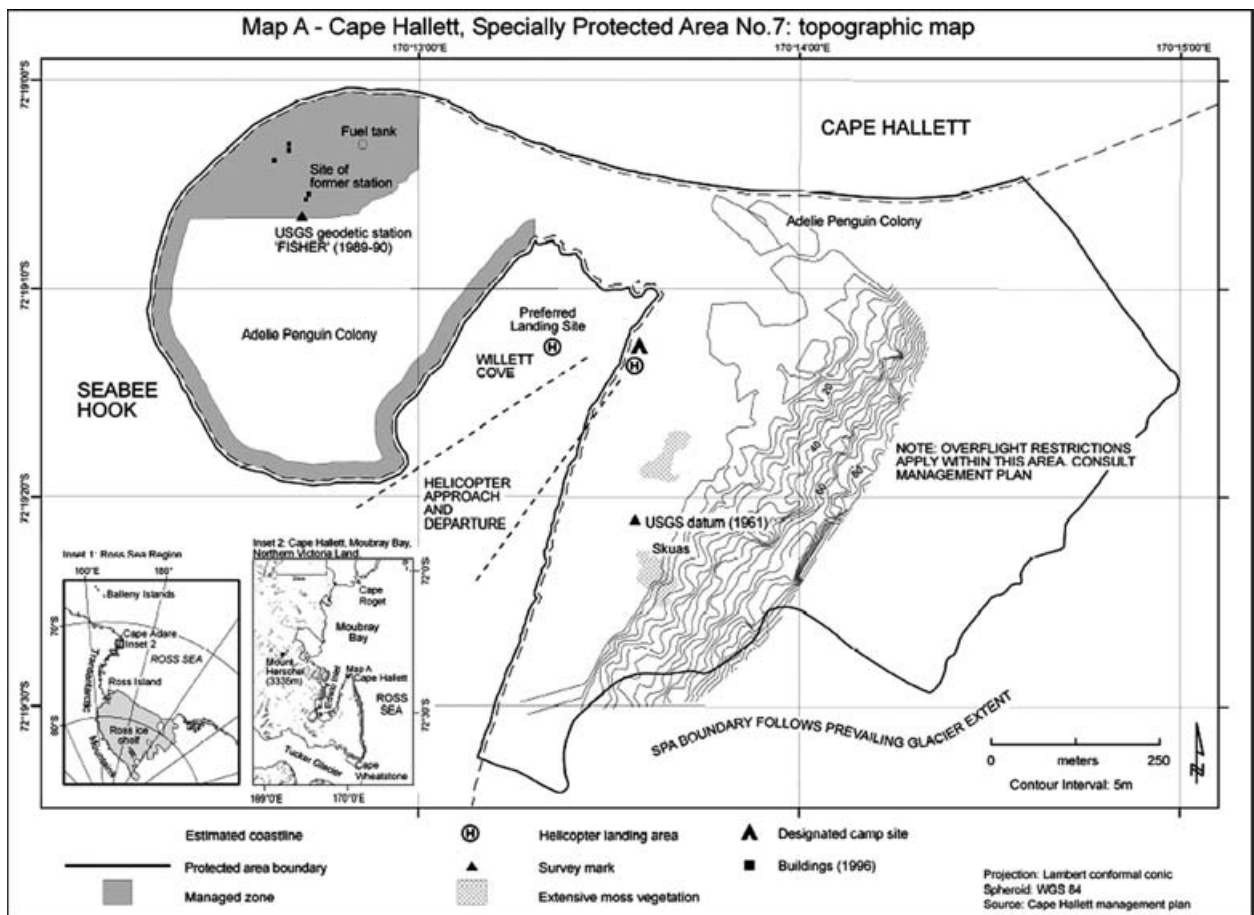
All wastes shall be removed from the Area.

7(ix) Measures that may be necessary to ensure that the aims and objectives of the plan continue to be met

Of particular concern are microbial and vegetation introductions from soils at other Antarctic sites, including stations, or from regions outside Antarctica.

7(x) Requirements for reports

Parties should ensure that the principal holder for each permit issued submits to the appropriate authority a report describing the activities undertaken.



**Note:** Cape Hallett was formerly Specially Protected Area No 7 and is now re-designated Antarctic Specially Protected Area No. 106. Note also that the description “SPA BOUNDARY” should be “ASPA BOUNDARY”.

Summaries of the other Management Plans that should be appended to this Measure will be reproduced in a later edition of the *SCAR Bulletin*.

The full Management Plans may be seen on the CEP website at: [http://cep.npolar.no/Content/cep\\_archive\\_oth\\_doc.htm](http://cep.npolar.no/Content/cep_archive_oth_doc.htm)