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Conference of Plenipotentiaries  
on the Protection of the Ozone Layer  
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Draft Resolution on Institutional and Financial Arrangements

(Proposal based on discussions in the informal negotiating meeting)

The Conference,

- Having adopted the Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer.
- Recalling Article 7 paragraph 2 of the Convention which designates the United Nations Environment Programme as responsible for carrying out the secretariat functions until the completion of the first ordinary meeting of the Conference of the Parties held pursuant to Article 6 of the Convention;
- Recognizing that the Parties to the Convention will bear responsibility for financing the costs of the secretariat of the Convention and other administrative costs;
- 1. Notes the cost estimates for the first two years of the Ozone Layer secretariat, as contained in documents UNEP/WG.94/13/Add.1 and UNEP/WG.94/13/Add.2/Rev.1;
- 2. Also notes the statement of the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), to the effect that UNEP would be ready to accept the designation as the organization to carry out the secretariat functions pursuant to Article 7 paragraph 3 of the Convention;
- 3. Notes the willingness of the Executive Director of UNEP to contribute towards the costs of the interim secretariat during the initial two to three years of its operation, subject to the availability of resources in the Environment Fund;
- 4. Further notes with appreciation the statement by the WMO Executive Council offering to serve as the permanent secretariat for the Ozone Layer Convention;
- 5. Requests the Executive Director of UNEP, the World Meteorological Organization and in consultation with Governments and in close cooperation with other relevant United Nations bodies, to make arrangements required for the interim secretariat in order to achieve the objectives of the Convention;

short and long term strategies to control equitably global production emissions and use of CFCs, taking into account the particular situation of developing countries as well as updated scientific and economic research;

2. Urges all interested parties, in order to facilitate work on a protocol, to cooperate in studies leading to a more common understanding of potential scenarios for global production, emissions and use of CFCs and other substances affecting the ozone layer and the costs and effects of various control measures, and to this end, requests such parties to sponsor, under the patronage of UNEP, a workshop on this subject.

3. Requests the Working Group, in further developing a protocol, to take into account, inter alia, the report of the Co-ordinating Committee on the Ozone Layer on its eighth session as well as an assessment of the current understanding of the physical and chemical processes which control atmospheric ozone;

4. Authorizes the Executive Director, in consultation with the signatories, pending the entry into force of the Convention, to convene a Diplomatic Conference, if possible, in 1987, for the purpose of adopting such a protocol;

5. Appeals to signatories to the Convention and other interested parties participating in the preparation of a protocol to make available financial means to support activities envisaged under the paragraphs above;

6. Agrees that all states and regional economic integration organizations, pending the entry into force of the Convention, should endeavour to further reduce their use of CFCs especially in aerosols to the maximum extent possible / and in particular for industrialized countries, by at least 50 percent of such use in their year of maximum use in aerosols prior to the date of this resolution 7.