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DECISION 9/13B OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL OF UNEP
REGARDING CHLOROFLUOROCARBONS

EXTRACT FROM THE REPORT OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL ON
THE WORK OF ITS NINTH SESSION

9/13. Outer limits

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Protection of the ozone layer

The Governing Council,

Recalling its decision 84 C (V) of 25 May 1977 on the establishment of the Co-ordinating Committee on the Ozone Layer and on the World Plan of Action on the Ozone Layer,

Recalling further its decision 8/7 B of 29 April 1980 on measures relating to the protection of the ozone layer,

Noting that the latter decision recommends that the use of chlorofluorocarbons 11 and 12 be significantly reduced, and that production capacity should not be increased,

Noting further the importance of obtaining detailed information on the implementation of the decision,

Recognizing to this effect the desirability of initiating work aimed at the elaboration of a global framework convention which would cover monitoring, scientific research and the development of best available and economically feasible technologies to limit and gradually reduce emissions of ozone-depleting substances, as well as the development of appropriate strategies and policies,

Recognizing further the role and mandate of the United Nations Environment Programme in protecting and enhancing the global environment,

Noting with appreciation the work of the Co-ordinating Committee on the Ozone Layer,

1. Decides to initiate work aimed at the elaboration of a global framework convention for the protection of the ozone layer;

2. Further decides to this end to establish an ad hoc working group of legal and technical experts nominated by interested Governments and Intergovernmental organizations, which shall report, through the Executive Director, to the Governing Council on the progress of its work;

3. Requests the Executive Director:

(a) To ensure that in the work so initiated, all relevant information and related work currently under way in other forums, as well as the results of any discussions on this subject at the Ad Hoc Meeting of Senior Government Officials Expert in Environmental Law are taken into account;