DECISION

ATTENDANCE BY NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANISATIONS AND INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVES AT THE THIRD SESSION OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE STATES PARTIES

The Conference

Bearing in mind Rules 31 - 33 of the Rules of Procedure of the Conference of the States Parties,

Hereby:

Approves the participation of the non-governmental organisations (NGOs) listed in annex 1 and the industry representatives listed in annex 2 to C-III/DEC/CRP.9, dated 16 November 1998, at the Third Session of the Conference of the States Parties; and

Decides to accord to the NGOs listed in annex 1 and to the industry representatives listed in annex 2 to C-III/DEC/CRP.9, dated 16 November 1998, the following status:

(a) NGOs and industry representatives will be responsible for all expenses relating to their attendance at the Third Session of the Conference;

(b) representatives of NGOs and industry will be invited (subject to the decision of the Conference), to attend public meetings of the plenary sessions of the Conference;

(c) NGOs and industry representatives will be issued with name tags, which must be worn within the Netherlands Congress Centre (NCC);

(d) the names of NGOs and industry representatives will not appear on desks/tables in the conference rooms;

(e) NGOs and industry representatives will not have the right to address meetings of the Conference; and

(f) NGOs and industry representatives may place literature for distribution only at designated places outside the conference rooms in the NCC.

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