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FIFTH REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

COMMISSION II

1. At its third meeting, held on 15 November 1993, the Resolutions Committee examined the draft Conference Resolution on FAO Programme Priorities for Forestry submitted by the delegation of Canada.
2. In line with paragraph(e) of its Operating Procedures, the Committee invited the delegation of Canada to participate in its deliberations on the draft Resolution.
3. With the consent of Canada, the Committee made some amendments to the draft Resolution.
4. The draft Conference Resolution on FAO Programme Priorities for Forestry, incorporating the amendments made by the Resolutions Committee, is transmitted, herewith, to Commission II.

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DRAFT CONFERENCE RESOLUTION

(Draft Conference Resolution submitted by Canada)

"The Conference adopted the following resolution:

Resolution _____ /93

FAO PROGRAMME PRIORITIES FOR FORESTRY

THE CONFERENCE

Recognizing the vital and multidimensional role of forests,

recognizing FAO's important responsibility in the follow-up of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development,

considering the unanimous endorsement by the 103rd Session of the Council of the recommendations of the 11th Session of the Committee on Forestry as well as of the Programme Committee,

requests the Director-General to take appropriate measures, within the context of no programme growth for the Organization, to maintain and strengthen FAO's role in forestry;

requests the Director-General to ensure that, within the context of the continuous review and redefinition of the priorities of the Organization, the importance of forests within the mandate of FAO to be better reflected;

requests the Director-General to respond to the recommendation of the 103rd Session of the Council by according higher priority to this sector in the implementation of the Programme of Work and Budget for 1994-95, and in any eventual adjustments that might be made to that Programme during this biennium;

and requests the Member States to consider progressive increases to the forestry budget in the coming biennia to reflect a more representative balance in resource allocation.