

PROTECTION OF THE QUALITY AND SUPPLY OF FRESHWATER RESOURCES
APPLICATION OF INTEGRATED APPROACHES TO THE DEVELOPMENT,
MANAGEMENT AND USE OF WATER RESOURCES

Draft decision proposed by the Chairman

The Preparatory Committee.

1. Welcomes the report of the Secretary-General of the Conference on the Protection of the Quality and Supply of Freshwater Resources (A/CONF.151/PC/73) and the Options for Agenda 21 on freshwater resources (A/CONF.151/PC/42/ADD.7);
2. Requests the Secretary-General of the Conference to submit to its fourth session for further consideration the annex to this decision as contained in document A/CONF.151/PC/WG.II/L.17 as revised during the informal consultations at this session;
3. Further requests the Secretary-General of the Conference to submit to its fourth session for consideration revised Options for Agenda 21, taking into account, inter alia, United Nations General Assembly resolution 44/228, and the debate and the relevant decisions taken at this session, including on the format of Agenda 21 and means of implementation as contained in document A/CONF.151/PC/L.49;
4. Requests the Secretary-General of the Conference to submit the annex to this decision, as contained in document A/CONF.151/PC/WG.II/L.17 as revised during this session, to the International Conference on Water and the Environment (ICWE), to be held in Dublin and attended by government-designated experts.
5. Invites the ICWE, recalling decision 2/20 of the Preparatory Committee, to:
 - (a) Consider this material with particular attention to implementation mechanisms, programme targets and costings;
 - (b) Identify options for appropriate mechanisms for implementing and coordinating the programmes;
 - (c) Identify options for improved coordination and cooperation on water management at the local, national, regional and global levels;
 - (d) Submit the report on the results of the meeting to the Secretary-General of the Conference before the fourth session of the Preparatory Committee;