

- (1) Acknowledge the principles of sustainable use in all dealings with marine mammals resources, and recognize the special needs of developing countries and indigenous peoples of the marine resources of their nutritional and economic development.
- Support the IWC in its efforts to restore stocks of highly migratory species of whales and call for increased scientific research and advice to fulfil this effort.
- Support scientific research on small cetaceans with the aim of ensuring national and regional conservation of these species.
- Support the Bonn Convention in its efforts to promote the establishment of regional agreements on management and conservation of small cetaceans.
- Call on the governments to review and strengthen all possible efforts to counteract pollution threats to all marine mammals.]

32. [Polar regions and specific seas]

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[The Antarctic Treaty Parties that singling out Antarctica to be identified as a specific regional issue for consideration by UNCED is inappropriate for the following reasons:

-The Antarctic Treaty provides a tried and tested basis for managing activities in Antarctica.

-In the carefully drafted GA Res. 44/228, neither Antarctica nor any other specific region has been identified as one of the UNCED priority areas.

-UNCED already has a hardly manageable workload; identifying specific regions for priority action within the proposed Agenda 21 would open the doors to unravel a carefully negotiated settlement on priority issues and areas as contained in Res. 44/228.

Consistent with this approach therefore, the Treaty Parties will oppose the inclusion in a possible Agenda 21 of specific references to Antarctica such as those contained in a in paragraphs 18, 20 and 34 of Doc. PC/42/Add.6, or as proposed by some distinguished delegates in the course of our debate.]

[In the Polar regions, through U.N. involvement to improve and introduce the anticipatory approach and adopt and implement an Antarctic Conservation Strategy, the Arctic Environment Protection Strategy and promote the Arctic Monitoring and Assessment Programme.

The following elements should be included:

-To establish a sanctuary for all cetaceans in its traditional natural habitat.

-Call upon the ATCP to protect and improve the status of living resources in the Antarctic region, including marine ecosystems and report regularly to the United Nations on its status through the General Assembly.

In relation to Maintenance of Ecosystem and Marine Biodiversity the following elements should be included: