

**B. Organization of the Fourth Prepcom**

The adoption of L.52 reflects the level of frustration with the Third Session of the Prepcom which has led to growing pessimism about the achievements possible for UNCED in light of the slow pace of work and often high level of dissension at this Prepcom. Concerns centre on the work programmes of Working Group III, principally on the construction of the Earth Charter, and the Plenary, i.e., cross-sectoral issues.

These views were evidently shared by the Chair and the Secretariat and the modified organization should contribute to faster progress at the next session.