

SIXTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA

FIRST SESSION (1992-1997)

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

RESOLUTION NO. 95

WHEREAS the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification was opened for signature at Paris on October 14, 1994 and later adopted by the Inter-governmental Negotiating Committee;

AND WHEREAS the said Convention remained open at the United Nations Headquarters in New York until October 13, 1995;

AND WHEREAS the said Convention has been signed by 115 countries and ratified by 35 countries;

AND WHEREAS the said Convention must be ratified by 50 countries for it to come into force;

AND WHEREAS the Second Regional Meeting of Latin American and Caribbean Countries on Desertification was held in Mexico City from June 17 to 19, 1996;

AND WHEREAS participation in the said Convention signals Guyana's solidarity with those nations that are experiencing serious desertification and drought, particularly those in Africa;

AND WHEREAS the said Convention can play a role in the development of a National Action Programme for the prevention of unsustainable development practices which could result in desertification;

AND WHEREAS the Regional Action Plan should provide a framework under the Convention from which Guyana would be able to benefit financially, technically and otherwise;

AND WHEREAS the said Convention should be viewed in broad environmental terms:

RESOLVED, That the National Assembly hereby agree to the Secretary General of the United Nations being informed of Guyana's intention to accede to the said Convention and for Guyana to formally accede to the said Convention by the deposit of an appropriate instrument of accession.

Passed by the National Assembly on 22nd May, 1997.



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Clerk of the National Assembly