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REVIEW AND APPRAISAL OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF AGENDA 21

Contribution of the United Nations Environment Programme to the special session

Note by the Secretary-General

1. In paragraph 8 of its resolution 51/181 of 16 December 1996, the General Assembly invited the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) to include in its report to the Assembly at its special session information and views on ways to address, in a forward-looking manner, national, regional and international application of the principles contained in the Rio Declaration and the implementation of Agenda 21 in the interrelated issues of environment and development.

2. At its nineteenth session, the Governing Council requested the Executive Director of UNEP to transmit to the General Assembly at its special session the annexed report, which includes the Nairobi Declaration on the Role and Mandate of UNEP (sect. I), the note by the Executive Director to the Governing Council on preparations for the review and appraisal of Agenda 21 (sect. II) and the executive summary of Global Environment Outlook-1 (sect. III).

3. The Secretary-General has the honour to transmit the report to the General Assembly. In accordance with paragraph 6 of Assembly resolution 51/181, the present note will also be made available to the Commission on Sustainable Development at its fifth session for its consideration.

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ANNEX

Contribution of the United Nations Environment Programme to
the special session of the General Assembly for the purpose
of an overall review and appraisal of the implementation of
Agenda 21, 23-27 June 1997

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