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IMPLEMENTATION OF DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF  
THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON ENVIRONMENT AND  
DEVELOPMENT: SUSTAINABLE USE AND CONSERVATION OF  
THE MARINE LIVING RESOURCES OF THE HIGH SEAS:  
UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON STRADDLING FISH STOCKS  
AND HIGHLY MIGRATORY FISH STOCKS

Report of the Secretary-General

Corrigendum

1. Paragraph 3 should read

3. It should be recalled that the issue of high seas fisheries was taken up in a number of international forums 1/ culminating in the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development. Chapter 17 of Agenda 21 2/ dealing with the oceans devoted a section to sustainable use and conservation of marine living resources of the high seas. Several countries stressed the importance of establishing an effective regime for the conservation and management of straddling fish stocks and highly migratory fish stocks. As a consequence it was agreed that:

"States should take effective action, including bilateral and multilateral cooperation, where appropriate at the subregional, regional and global levels, to ensure that high seas fisheries are managed in accordance with the provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea. In particular, States should:

"...

"(e) Convene, as soon as possible, an intergovernmental conference under United Nations auspices, taking into account relevant activities at the subregional, regional and global levels, with a view to promoting effective implementation of the provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on straddling fish stocks and

highly migratory fish stocks. The conference, drawing, inter alia, on scientific and technical studies by FAO, should identify and assess existing problems related to the conservation and management of such fish stocks, and consider means of improving cooperation on fisheries among States, and formulate appropriate recommendations. The work and the results of the conference should be fully consistent with the provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, in particular the rights and obligations of coastal States and States fishing on the high seas." 3/

2. Page 7, footnote 3 should read

3/ Ibid., para. 17.49.

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