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Draft decision submitted by the President of the Conference of the Parties

Date and venue of the sixth session of the Conference of the Parties

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling article 22, paragraph 4, of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification,

Recalling also its decision 1/COP.2 on Ordinary Sessions of the Conference of the Parties,

Further recalling General Assembly resolution 40/243 of 18 December 1985,

1. *Decides* that the sixth session of the Conference of the Parties shall be held at Bonn, Germany, the site of the Convention secretariat, from 19 to 31 October 2003, in the event that no Party makes an offer to host that session and to meet the additional financial cost;

2. *Invites* the Executive Secretary in consultation with the Bureau to accommodate, by 31 January 2003, any offer from a Party to host the sixth session;

3. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to take the necessary measures to prepare for the sixth session of the Conference of the Parties.

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