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

Date and venue of the first session of the Committee to Review
the Implementation of the Convention

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling article 22, paragraph 2(a) and (c), of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification,

Recalling also its decision contained in document ICCD/COP(5)/L.15,

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

1. *Decides* that the first session of the Committee to Review the Implementation of the Convention shall be held at Bonn, Germany, the site of the Convention secretariat, from 18 to 29 November 2002, in the event that no Party makes an offer to host that session and to meet the related additional financial cost;

2. *Invites* the Executive Secretary in consultation with the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties to accommodate, by 20 April 2002, any offer from a Party to host the first session of the Committee to Review the Implementation of the Convention;

3. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to take the necessary measures to prepare for the first session of the Committee to Review the Implementation of the Convention.

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