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THE COUNCIL OF THE UNITED NATIONS UNIVERSITY

at its twenty-eighth session in Tokyo, Japan, adopted the following resolution on the Institute for Natural Resources in Africa (INRA):

Decided on the formal establishment of the Institute for Natural Resources in Africa (INRA) as a research and training centre of the United Nations University; approved the Statute establishing INRA; agreed to review, after INRA's first year of operation, the possibility of setting up a scientific advisory committee for the Institute; approved in principle the text of the Host Country Agreement and the Memorandum of Understanding on INRA between the Government of Côte d'Ivoire and the United Nations University; approved the signed Memorandum of Understanding on INRA's Operating Unit for Mineral Resources between the Government of Zambia and the United Nations University; authorized the Rector to finalize and sign the Host Country Agreement and Memorandum with the Government of Côte d'Ivoire; authorized the Rector, in accordance with Article XIV, Transitional Provisions of the Statute on INRA, to take such financial and other necessary action to initiate the operations of the Institute, including its initial programme of work and budget; and requested the Rector to continue the effort to mobilize the necessary additional financial resources required for the Institute.

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Expressed its deep gratitude to the Government of Côte d'Ivoire for its generous pledge of US\$5 million to the UN University's endowment fund for INRA and for its agreement to provide physical facilities for INRA's main centre at Yamoussoukro, the capital of Côte d'Ivoire, and to the Government of Zambia for its pledge of US\$2 million to the UN University's endowment fund for INRA and for its agreement to provide physical facilities for INRA's mineral resources unit at Lusaka.

Expressed its sincere appreciation to the other African countries which have continuously supported the University's efforts to establish INRA and which have expressed an interest in co-operating in INRA's programme of work; and recalled with deep gratitude the resolution in support of INRA adopted in July 1985 by the Twenty-first Assembly of the Heads of State and Government of Member States of the Organization of African Unity (OAU).

Expressed its profound gratitude to the Government of France for its pledge of 20 million francs for the establishment of INRA; thanked the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) for its agreement to provide project funding of US\$5.6 million for INRA, and the OPEC Fund for its grant of US\$175,000 for equipment for INRA's mineral resources unit in Zambia; noted with appreciation the interest expressed in INRA by various governments, bilateral and multilateral agencies, foundations and other funding sources; noted that for the long-term success of the Institute, greater financial resources than are now committed must be mobilized as soon as possible; and appealed to governments, bilateral and multilateral agencies, foundations and other funding sources to contribute generously to this vital endeavour.

