CONFERENCE OF PLENIPOTENTIARIES ON THE STOCKHOLM CONVENTION ON PERSISTENT ORGANIC POLLUTANTS

Stockholm, 22-23 May 2001

4. Resolution on liability and redress concerning the use and intentional introduction into the environment of persistent organic pollutants

The Conference,

<u>Conscious</u> of the risk posed by persistent organic pollutants to human health and the environment,

<u>Acknowledging</u> that persistent organic pollutants are transported across international boundaries and deposited far from their place of release through air, water and migratory species,

<u>Recognizing</u> that the time is appropriate for further discussions on the need for the elaboration of international rules in the field of liability and redress resulting from the production, use and intentional release into the environment of persistent organic pollutants,

Welcoming the willingness of Austria to host a workshop on liability and redress,

- 1. <u>Invites</u> Governments and relevant international organizations to provide the secretariat with information on national, regional and international measures and agreements on liability and redress, especially on persistent organic pollutants;
- 2. <u>Requests</u> the secretariat in cooperation with one or more States to organize a workshop on liability and redress in the context of the Convention on persistent organic pollutants and related matters, no later than 2002;
- 3. <u>Decides</u> to consider at its first Conference of the Parties the report of the workshop with a view to deciding what further action should be taken.