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Item 1 on the on the Provisional Agenda*

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

Accreditation of Non-governmental Organizations and other Major Groups to the World Summit on Sustainable Development Note by the Secretary-General

- 1. In its decision 2001/PC/3, the Commission on Sustainable Development acting as the preparatory committee for the World Summit on Sustainable Development made provisions for accreditation of non-governmental organizations and other majors groups. In the same decision, the Commission acting as the preparatory committee requested non-governmental organizations and other major groups to send their applications, together with required supplementary materials, not later than four weeks before the start of each Preparatory Committee meeting. It requested the Summit Secretariat, with the support of the UN Non-governmental Liaison Services, to "review the relevance of the work of the applicants on the basis of their background and involvement in sustainable development issues, particularly in the follow-up process to the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development". The decision indicated that if this evaluation showed, on the basis of the information provided, that the applicant organization is competent and its activities directly relevant to the goals of the Summit, the secretariat would recommend it to the Preparatory Committee for accreditation.
- 2. The Secretariat has received and evaluated complete application packages received by 29 April 2002, the deadline by which applications had to be submitted, for review by the fourth session of the preparatory committee. Annex I to this note contains the list of non-governmental organizations and other major groups that are recommended by the secretariat for accreditation in this round, and Annex II contains other organizations that were also reviewed.

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¹ See official records of the General Assembly, Fifty-sixth Session, Supplement NO 19 (A/56/19), chap. VIII, sect. B.

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Summary of Organizational Focus and Activities: Aims to alleviate poverty, protect the environment and aid the ill and handicapped in Mauritania through projects addressing rural development through micro-enterprise and sustainable agriculture; reforestation, urban greening and nursery activities; assistance of nomadic populations through construction of wells and walking trails; general and health education for all, including vaccinations and medicine distribution; and pastoral activities.