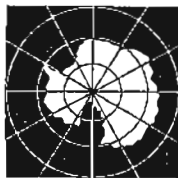


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FINAL REPORT OF THE EIGHTH SPECIAL ANTARCTIC TREATY
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Representatives of the Consultative Parties (Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Chile, France, the Federal Republic of Germany, the German Democratic Republic, India, Italy, Japan, New Zealand, Norway, the People's Republic of China, Poland, South Africa, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the United States of America, and Uruguay) met in Paris on 20 and 21 September 1988.

1 - Having regard to part I of the Final Report of the First Special Antarctic Treaty Consultative Meeting, the Meeting considered in plenary session the notifications and information received from the Governments of Sweden and Spain concerning their activities in the Antarctic and decided as follows :

The Representatives of the Consultative Parties :

Recalling that Spain and Sweden acceded to the Antarctic Treaty in accordance with Article XIII on 31 March 1982 and 24 April 1984 respectively ;

Noting that on 17 March 1988, Sweden transmitted to the Government of the United States of America, as Depositary Government for the Antarctic Treaty :

- a notification to the effect that Sweden considered itself entitled to appoint Representatives in accordance

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with Article IX, paragraph 2 of the Treaty to participate in the Meetings referred to in Article IX, paragraph 1 of the Treaty ;

- a declaration that Sweden will abide by the Recommendations adopted by all the Consultative Parties at their previous Meetings ; that it intends to approve these Recommendations ; and that it will consider approving Recommendations which have not yet become effective ; and

- information relating to the nature and objectives of the Antarctic research activities of Sweden, its cooperation with the Consultative Parties, the technical parameters and location of its existing and planned Antarctic stations and the nature and objectives of its future Antarctic expeditions ;

Noting that on 8 April 1988 Spain transmitted to the Government of the United States of America, as Depositary Government for the Antarctic Treaty :

- a notification to the effect that Spain considered itself entitled to appoint Representatives in accordance with Article IX, paragraph 2 of the Treaty to participate in the Meetings referred to in Article IX, paragraph 1 of the Antarctic Treaty ; and

- information relating to the nature and objectives of the Antarctic research activities of Spain, its cooperation with the Consultative Parties, the technical parameters and location of its Antarctic station and the nature and objectives of its future Antarctic expeditions ;

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Having ascertained that Spain intends formally to approve the Recommendations of Consultative Meetings which have become effective in accordance with Article IX of the Antarctic Treaty as being, in the terms of that Article, "measures in furtherance of the principles and objectives of the Treaty", and that Spain will give careful consideration to approving the Recommendations which have not yet become effective ;

Noting that on 16 January 1988 Sweden established a station, equipped with automatic measuring instruments in Queen Maud Land, lat. 74°35' S, long. 11°13' W, which can accommodate 8 people ; and that scientific programmes have been launched in the following research disciplines : climatology, glaciology, glacial geomorphology, geology, oceanography, marine biology ;

Noting that during the two Antarctic expeditions it undertook in 1986-87 and 1987-88 respectively, Spain carried out research programmes in the following disciplines : glaciology, oceanography, marine biology, geology ; that in January 1988 Spain established a station on Livingston Island (base Juan Carlos I), lat. 62°40' S, long. 60°20' W, which can accommodate 12 people;

Noting that Sweden proposes to embark in the 1988-1989 season upon the construction of an additional station at lat. 73°02' S, long. 13°25' W ;

Noting that Sweden and Spain intend to pursue and intensify their programmes and that each country is constructing ice-breaking or ice-strengthened vessels for deployment in Antarctica in pursuit of scientific objectives ;

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Recognizing that on the basis of the scientific programmes they are carrying out, the stations they have established, the scientific expeditions they have despatched and their future intentions, Sweden and Spain have demonstrated their interest in Antarctica, in accordance with Article IX, paragraph 2 of the Antarctic treaty ;

Having ascertained, in accordance with Article X of the Antarctic Treaty, on the basis of the information provided about scientific expeditions and the research carried out, that the activities of Sweden and Spain are in accordance with the principles and purposes of the Treaty ;

Record their acknowledgement that Sweden and Spain have fulfilled the requirements established in Article IX, paragraph 2 of the Antarctic Treaty, and that in consequence, during such time as they continue in accordance with Article IX, paragraph 2 of the Treaty to demonstrate their interest in Antarctica, they are entitled to appoint Representatives to participate in the Consultative Meetings provided for in Article IX, paragraph 1 of the Treaty ; and hereby warmly welcome Sweden and Spain as participants in such meetings.

2 - The Meeting noted that the Government of Peru had informed the Depositary Government of its wish that its notification be examined after the second Peruvian scientific Antarctic expedition, which is to be conducted between December 1988 and March 1989.

3 - The Meeting noted that the Depositary Government had received a notification from the Government of Ecuador on 7 September 1988, and that this notification and the accompanying documentation had been transmitted to the diplomatic missions of the Consultative Parties in Washington.