Decision 24/COP.2

<u>Date and venue of the third session</u> <u>of the Conference of the Parties</u>

The Conference of the Parties,

 ${\it Recalling}$ article 22, paragraph 4, of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification,

Recalling also General Assembly resolution 40/243 of 18 December 1985,

- 1. Accepts with gratitude the generous offer of the Government of Brazil to host the third session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification;
- 2. Decides that the third session of the Conference of the Parties shall be held in Recife, Brazil, from 15 November to 26 November 1999;
- 3. Requests the Executive Secretary to consult with the Government of Brazil with a view to entering into satisfactory arrangements for that Government to host the Conference in Recife and to meet the related costs.

10th Plenary 10 December 1998