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International Year of Mountains

The General Assembly,

Recalling Economic and Social Council resolution 1998/30 of 29 July 1998,

Recalling also the relevant provisions of Agenda 21 on sustainable mountain development,

Noting the work already undertaken to achieve sustainable mountain development by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, including its role as task manager for chapter 13 of Agenda 21,

1. *Proclaims* the year 2002 as the International Year of Mountains;
 2. *Invites* the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations to serve as the lead agency for the Year, in collaboration with Governments, the United Nations Environment Programme, the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and other relevant organizations of the United Nations system and non-governmental organizations;
 3. *Calls upon* Governments, national and international organizations, non-governmental organizations and the private sector to make voluntary contributions in accordance with the guidelines of the Economic and Social Council for international years and anniversaries and to lend other forms of support to the International Year of Mountains;
 4. *Encourages* all Governments, the United Nations system and all other actors to take advantage of the International Year of Mountains to increase awareness of the importance of sustainable mountain development;
 5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its fifty-fifth session a report on the state of the preparations for the International Year of Mountains.
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