RESOLUTION ADOPTED AT THE TENTH MEETING OF CCAMLR (in accordance with Conservation Measure 18/IX)

RESOLUTION 8/X Protection of the Seal Islands CEMP Site

- 1. The Commission noted that a program of long-term studies is being undertaken at the Seal Islands, South Shetland Islands, as part of the CCAMLR Ecosystem Monitoring Program (CEMP). Recognizing that these studies may be vulnerable to accidental or wilful interference, the Commission expressed its concern that this CEMP site, the scientific investigations, and the Antarctic marine living resources therein be protected.
- 2. Therefore, the Commission considers it appropriate to accord protection to the Seal Islands CEMP Site.

- 3. Members are requested to comply, on a voluntary basis, with the provisions of the draft management plan for the Seal Islands CEMP Site pending the conclusion of consultations with SCAR, the Antarctic Treaty Consultative Parties and, if appropriate, the Contracting Parties to other components of the Antarctic Treaty System.
- 4. It was agreed that, in accordance with Article X, the Commission would draw this Resolution to the attention of any State that is not a Party to the Convention and whose nationals or vessels are present in the Convention Area.