3rd Coral Reef Task Force Meeting November 2-3, 1999 St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands

Resolution 3-1 - The United States Coral Reef Task Force (CRTF) endorses the Draft National Action Plan to Conserve Coral Reefs ("Draft Action Plan") for the purpose of securing public comment on the Draft Action Plan and then revising the Draft Action Plan as necessary before adoption. Public notice will be given through the *Federal Register* and the Internet (http://coralreef.gov), and a sixty (60) day comment period will be provided.

The CRTF agrees further to appoint a working group on the Draft Action Plan to be convened by the CRTF Co-Chairs. The CRTF requests that each CRTF member provide comments on the Draft Action Plan to the working group, and to identify specifically, with budget information where possible, the action items in which that CRTF member plans to participate and the extent of participation. The working group will consider the comments received from CRTF members and from the public, revise the plan to reflect the President's budget for Fiscal Year 2001, and prepare a final Draft National Action Plan for consideration and action by the CRTF at its next meeting.