

- RESOLUTION #:** 14
- TITLE:** Protection of the Zambezi Valley from the “Chirundu Project” Agricultural Development
- WHEREAS:** It has come to the attention of the 8th World Wilderness Congress that 120,000 ha of agricultural development is scheduled to start on the 1st of November 2005 in a contiguous riparian wilderness area of the Middle Zambezi, including Mana Pools (a designated National Park and World Heritage Site).
- THEREFORE:** The 8th World Wilderness Congress understands the need for “food security,” but believes that it should be done by taking especial cognizance of the Foundation for Sustainable Development, namely the environment and its adequate protection.
- RESOLVED:** To request the Zimbabwean Government to:
- Issue an official statement clarifying the current situation, and
- Agree to a full, independent Environmental Impact Process, including wide national and international participation, prior to the project’s commencement.
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