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AND NATURAL RESOURCES

MORGES près Lausanne 3 January 1962  
/Suisse/

Your Excellency,

The International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources /IUCN/ has the honour to invite your Government to be represented at the First World Conference on National Parks, to be held at Seattle, Washington, U.S.A., from 30 June to 7 July 1962.

This Conference, which will discuss the prospects for effective international understanding and encouragement of the national parks movement on a world-wide basis, is sponsored by IUCN in association with the United States National Park Service and the Natural Resources Council of America, these two serving as host organizations.

Your attention is drawn to the enclosed Preliminary Announcement which gives further details. Your Government is invited to send two delegates to this Conference, and additional representation as may be considered appropriate. It is hoped that the leader of your delegation will be the person in charge, in your country, of overall policy in respect of national parks and reserves; the other delegate being selected from those responsible for the administrative management of such areas.

The basic background documentation used will be provided from the ECOSOC register of national parks and equivalent reserves. We would however welcome a concise report /of not more than 5.000 words/ on your national parks and reserves, and any related plans and programmes for the future - or on specific Conference topics, - to supplement or complete any available information. These reports are required to reach the Secretary General of the Conference, 15th Floor, Mills Tower, San Francisco 4, California, USA, not later than 1 April 1962, in order to enable us to bring



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their contents to the notice of the appropriate panellists and discussion leaders.

You are invited, also, to send to the Secretary General of the Conference the names and addresses of the members of your delegation. A prompt reply to him direct would greatly facilitate the task of the organizers. The information is required by not later than 1 April 1962 since a preliminary list of participants is to be published by the end of that month.

The subject of this Conference has long been given special attention by IUCN. It is therefore earnestly hoped that your Government will be fully represented at the highest possible level.

Yours sincerely,

/s/ Jean G. Baer,  
Président - IUCN