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INTERNATIONAL RENEWABLE ENERGY AGENCY

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Decision on the permanent seat of the Agency

The Assembly,

Emphasising the pressing need for the development and deployment of all forms of renewable energy for a secure and sustainable future for the global community,

Desiring to foster the positive impact of renewable energy on sustainable economic growth,

Recalling the decision of the Preparatory Commission at its second session to designate Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates as the interim seat of the Secretariat of the International Renewable Energy Agency,

Noting with gratitude the support and dedication of the United Arab Emirates in hosting the interim seat of the Secretariat,

Noting also the United Arab Emirates' will and determination to share the knowledge and technology it possesses, and to contribute to the promotion and wide use and adoption of renewable energy, which is at the heart of IRENA's mandate,

Acting pursuant to Article XVIII of the IRENA Statute,

1. *Decides* to designate by acclamation Abu Dhabi, the United Arab Emirates, as the seat of the Agency.