COUNCIL OF EUROPE COMMITTEE OF MINISTERS

RESOLUTION (76) 13

AWARDING THE EUROPEAN DIPLOMA TO THE WESTERN PYRENEES NATIONAL PARK (FRANCE)

(Adopted by the Committee of Ministers on 15 March 1976 at the 255th meeting of the Ministers' Deputies)

The Committee of Ministers,

Having regard to Resolution (73) 4 instituting the regulations for the award of the European Diploma;

Having regard to the proposals of the European Committee for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources ;

Having recorded the agreement of the Government of France;

After deliberation,

Solemnly awards the European Diploma, Category A, to the Western Pyrenees National Park (France);

Places the aforesaid park under the patronage of the Council of Europe until 16 March 1981; and

Submits the following recommendations to the attention of the authorities concerned :

a. activities in the peripheral area (pre-park) should be developed in a harmonious manner under appropriate supervision. The planned improvements should be carried out in agreement with the various bodies responsible for the management of the park;

b. the state subsidy should be increased to allow further development of the praiseworthy action already undertaken in particular scientific research;

c. activities to encourage the competent Spanish authorities (international study meetings, joint research etc.) should be intensified with a view to enlarging the territory of the Spanish Ordesa National Park so that it may be linked up with the French Pyrenees Park. These two parks could be managed by conservation rules of international validity, under the patronage of the Council of Europe.