## CONVENTION ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN ENDANGERED SPECIES OF WILD FAUNA AND FLORA



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## Technical proposals for the 12th meeting of the Conference of the Parties

## STANDARD EXEMPTIONS FOR APPENDIX-II PLANT SPECIES

- 1. This document has been prepared by the Secretariat.
- 2. At its 10th meeting, the Plants Committee discussed the subject of standard exemptions for Appendix-II plants (see Doc. PC10.8.2). It agreed that these exemptions should automatically apply to all species included in Appendix II, unless the amendment proposal specifically indicates otherwise.
- 3. However, during the discussion, some changes were suggested to the text proposed by the Secretariat.
- 4. The text in paragraph 5. below takes the suggested changes into account, and is presented for approval by the Plants Committee.
- 5. Originally, it was suggested that the newly proposed text be included in the section 'Regarding flasked seedlings' in Resolution Conf. 11.11. However, that section only refers to Orchidaceae, and is therefore not a standard exemption. It is therefore suggested that the following new text be inserted as a separate section after the current section 'Regarding flasked seedlings'.

## Regarding standard exemptions for Appendix-II plant species

AGREES that:

- a) for species included in Appendices II and III, and for artificially propagated hybrids derived from unannotated species included in Appendix I, the following parts and derivatives shall be standard exemptions, unless the amendment proposal specifies otherwise:
  - i) seeds, spores and pollen (including pollinia);
  - ii) cut flowers of artificially propagated plants; and
  - iii) seedling or tissue cultures obtained *in vitro*, in solid or liquid media, and transported in sterile containers.