

Conclusion of the Meeting

**DETERMINATION OF THE TIME AND VENUE OF THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES**

1. This document has been prepared by the Secretariat.
2. In response to a letter from the Secretariat to all contracting Parties, several Parties to CITES expressed, during 1995, 1996 and 1997, an interest in hosting the 11th regular meeting of the Conference of the Parties. Two of them are in Latin America, two in Asia and one in Europe. The Secretariat would like to express its appreciation for their interest in hosting the next meeting of the Conference.
3. The Secretariat is pleased to inform the distinguished delegates that it received official offers from the Governments of Indonesia and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, on 3 June and 6 June respectively, to host the 11th regular meeting of the Conference of the Parties.
4. The Government of Indonesia proposes the meeting to take place either in Bali or in Jakarta, subject to a later arrangement with the Secretariat, in the last quarter of 1999.
5. The Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland lists in its proposal five possible venues, namely Birmingham, Brighton, Glasgow, London and Manchester. It also suggests that the meeting takes place in April-May of the year 2000 rather than in 1999, thus allowing the Parties to celebrate the coming 25th anniversary of the entry into force of the Convention (1 July 2000). The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland however can be flexible on the dates.
6. The Secretariat warmly thanks the Governments of Indonesia and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland for these offers.
7. The Secretariat presents the proposals of Indonesia and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland for discussion in accordance with Article XI, paragraph 4, of the Convention.