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DRAFT DECISION OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

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- a) The Secretariat shall, in collaboration with the chairs of Animals and Plants Committees, review the findings and recommendations of the Vilm report in order to identify the most relevant aspects for consideration by the Standing Committee by 30th November 2004, and shall send their conclusions to the Parties, through a notification;
- b) The Standing Committee, at its 53rd meeting, shall:
 - Consider the findings and recommendations of the Vilm report, taking into account the Secretariat's conclusions, and any comments by the Parties, and identify possible priority actions to improve synergies between the two Conventions in areas of common concern in order to contribute to reaching the WSSD 2010 target, considering inter alia Sustainable Use, the Ecosystem approach – i.e. Linking Site-based and Species-based Conservation Approaches - and Access and Benefit Sharing, and
 - Provide guidance, on that basis, to the Standing Committee Strategic Plan Working Group on the items to be considered in the revision of the Strategic Vision and Action Plan.
- c) Following its discussions on the outcomes of the Vilm report, the Standing Committee shall provide guidance to the Secretariat so as to revise, in conjunction with the CBD Secretariat, the Work Plan for Implementation of Joint Activities attached to the Memorandum of Cooperation between them before the 14th meeting of the Conference of the Parties.