

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



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**Committee I**

*Corallium* spp.

DRAFT DECISIONS OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

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***Directed to the Secretariat***

- 14.xx The Secretariat shall assist key range states in organizing at least two international technical workshops (one each in the Mediterranean and Pacific regions) before the end of 2008, as identified in decision 14.xx, on the implementation of the listing of *Corallium* spp. in the Appendices. The Secretariat shall invite cooperation with and participation by key range states, trading countries, and FAO.

***Directed to the Parties***

- 14.xx The Parties involved in the harvest and trade of *Corallium* spp. shall, in collaboration with the Secretariat and FAO:
- a) co-ordinate and convene before the end of 2008 at least two international technical workshops (one each in the Mediterranean and Pacific regions) in order to consider measures to enhance the implementation of the listing of *Corallium* species on the Appendix II.
  - b) involve range states, trading countries, industry and relevant specialists, *inter alia*, in the workshops to review available information and present recommendations to:
    - i. address issues related to the identification of parts and derivatives of *Corallium* spp. in trade;
    - ii. improve understanding on the biology, population status and management of *Corallium* spp. populations, and advise on appropriate management regimes and the making of non-detriment findings;
    - iii. address uncertainties on the taxonomy and nomenclature of the genus;
    - iv. identify and discriminate stockpiles of pre-convention material from material harvested after the listing;
    - v. discuss difficulties in discriminating fossil from non-fossil *Corallium* spp.

In doing so, the Parties shall take into account experience derived from the implementation of listings in the Appendices of other corals, especially black corals in the order Antipatharia.

- c) produce a report of the outcomes of each workshop and make the reports available to the Secretariat for distribution to the Parties
- d) encourage governments and intergovernmental organizations, international aid agencies, business interests and non-governmental organizations to provide funds to enable the implementation of technical workshops on trade in *Corallium* spp. identified in decision 14.xx.
- e) prepare a discussion paper for consideration at the 15th meeting of the Conference of the Parties, on the biology, taxonomy, management and trade status of *Corallium* spp. and provide guidance on the actions needed to enhance implementation of the listing of *Corallium* spp.
- f) refer any unresolved issues regarding implementation of the *Corallium* spp. listing to the Standing Committee

***Directed to the Animals Committee***

14.xx The Animals Committee, in collaboration with FAO, shall:

- a) participate in the workshop[s];
- b) review the outcomes of the workshop[s] and prepare recommendations on on actions necessary to enhance the implementation of the listing of *Corallium* spp. with respect to issues concerning the biology, nomenclature, management and the making of non-detriment findings for *Corallium* spp..

***Directed to the Standing Committee***

14xx. The Standing Committee, through its clearing house, shall consider any unresolved issues on the implementation of the *Corallium* spp. listings referred to them by the Parties convening the workshops undertaken under Decision 14.xx.