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



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Committee II

Asian big cats

DRAFT DECISIONS OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

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Directed to the Parties

- 14.XX Asian big cat range States shall strengthen their efforts to implement Resolution Conf. 12.5, and for tiger range States, report on progress at SC57, and subsequent meetings of the Standing Committee, and to the 15th meeting of the Conference of the Parties; with a review for CoP15 identifying gaps and additional measures needed.
- 14.XX All Parties, especially those evaluating their domestic tiger trade control policies, shall take into consideration the view of the Parties as expressed in Resolution Conf. 12.5.
- 14.XX Asian big cat range States shall improve international cooperation in conservation and trade control through continual dialogue, and when convened, tiger range States are invited to participate in the tiger trade enforcement workshop and the conservation strategy workshop.
- 14.XX Parties are strongly encouraged to develop or improve implementation of regional enforcement networks.
- 14.XX Parties with intensive operations breeding tigers on a commercial scale shall implement measures to restrict the captive population to a level supportive only to conserving wild tigers; tigers should not be bred for trade in their parts and derivatives.

Directed to the Secretariat

- 14.XX Contingent upon availability of external funding, the Secretariat shall: convene a tiger trade enforcement meeting within 12 months of the end of COP14; and cooperate in the development of a conservation strategy workshop, to be facilitated by IUCN and Global Tiger Forum (building on recent scientific work, including the 2006 Tiger Conservation Landscape Assessment) and other relevant organizations.
- 14.XX The CITES Secretariat in consultation with Parties having or those seeking to have specialized wildlife crime units shall provide technical assistance and assist with the identification of additional opportunities for technical and financial support.

14.XX	The CITES Tiger Enforcement Task Force shall, in conjunction with the CITES Enforcement Experts Group and in consultation with tiger range States, establish a mechanism to regularly monitor and evaluate the scale and nature of illegal trade in Asian big cats.