

**INTERSESSIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS ON NATIONAL IVORY ACTION PLANS
BEING DEVELOPED BY EIGHT PARTIES OF 'SECONDARY CONCERN' (Cameroon,
Congo, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Egypt, Ethiopia, Gabon, Mozambique
and Nigeria) AND THREE PARTIES OF 'IMPORTANCE TO WATCH' (Angola, Cambodia
and the Lao People's Democratic Republic)**

Adopted by the Standing Committee by Postal Procedure on 2 January 2015

The Standing Committee requests the Secretariat, on behalf of the Committee to:

- a) Send a reminder letter to any Party that has not submitted an adequate national ivory action plan (NIAP), requesting that it submit an action plan within 30 days of the date of the letter, and drawing attention to the assistance available through the Secretariat's consultants in Africa and Asia to support the completion of the NIAP;
- b) Issue a warning letter to any Party that does not submit an adequate NIAP within 30 days of the date of the reminder letter, warning that, if the NIAP is not received within the following 30 days, the Secretariat will publish a recommendation from the Standing Committee to suspend commercial trade in specimens of CITES-listed species with that Party until an adequate NIAP is submitted to the Secretariat;
- c) Issue a Notification to the Parties to inform them of any consequent recommendation to suspend commercial trade arising from a failure to submit an adequate NIAP; and
- d) Issue a Notification to the Parties to withdraw any recommendation to suspend commercial trade when an adequate NIAP is received by the Secretariat.