

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



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**Committee I**

Identifying species at risk of extinction for CITES Parties

DRAFT DECISIONS OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

*This document has been prepared by Niger, in consultation with United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America on potential revised decisions on a strategic approach to identifying species at risk of extinction affected by international trade for CITES listing proposals on the basis of document CoP19 Doc. 83 after discussion in the first session of Committee I (see document CoP19 Com. I Rec. 1).*

**Draft decisions on A strategic approach to identifying species at risk of extinction  
affected by international trade for CITES listing proposals**

***Directed to the Standing Committee***

- 19.AA The Standing Committee shall, in collaboration with the Animals and Plants Committees:
- a) consider under Resolution Conf. 3.4 on *Technical cooperation* how to provide Parties requesting it with regularly-updated information from any relevant studies, analyses or other sources on the identification of species at risk of extinction that are not yet protected under CITES or receive insufficient CITES protection and that are or may be affected by international trade, and technical support in the preparation of listing proposals emanating from such information, working in coordination with the CITES Secretariat, CITES Parties, IUCN, UNEP-WCMC, and relevant experts as appropriate.
  - b) establish a working group, with representation from all regions, the Animals and Plants Committees, and observers to review the recommendations developed by the Animals and Plants Committees under Decision 19.BB and make recommendations on the implementation of decision 19.AA a). The terms of reference for the Working Group shall be as provided in Annex A below.

***Directed to the Animals and Plants Committees***

- 19.BB The Animals and Plants Committees shall develop draft recommendations for consideration by the Standing Committee to facilitate the implementation of CITES decision 19.AA.

***Directed to the Secretariat***

- 19.CC The Secretariat shall support the Animals, Plants and Standing Committees in the implementation of Decisions 19.AA and 19.BB including through the provision of technical expertise, translation and interpretation as appropriate.

## ***Annex A. Terms of Reference for the Standing Committee Working Group***

### **Mandate**

Review recommendations made by the Animals and Plants Committees under Decision 19.BB.

### **Membership**

The working group will be Party led. It is proposed to have two co-chairs (and if necessary a vice-chair), with the co-chairs leading the work of the group. Membership will be open to Parties, Intergovernmental Organisations, and observers in line with the Standing Committee Rules of Procedure.

### ***Modus Operandi***

The group will operate by electronic correspondence to the extent possible. Support with translation and interpretation in the working languages of the Convention will be provided by the CITES Secretariat, subject to external resources. Should a meeting be considered necessary, the group may meet virtually or in conjunction with intersessional meetings of the Standing Committee or any other CITES meetings should timings and resources permit.