

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



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COMPILATION OF DRAFT DECISIONS FOR CONSIDERATION
BY THE 20TH MEETING OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

1. This document has been submitted by the Secretariat in relation to all the agenda items.
2. In order to provide Parties with an overview of possible work for the next intersessional period (2026-2028), the Secretariat has prepared a compilation of all 200 draft decisions contained in documents submitted for consideration by the Standing Committee at its 78th meeting (SC78) and of all draft decisions agreed by the Animals and Plants Committees at their 33rd (AC33) and 27th (PC27) meetings, respectively, for submission to the Conference of the Parties (CoP).
3. These draft decisions are for information only as a copy and paste from the SC78 working documents and from the summary records of AC33 and PC27. In some instances, the Animals and Plants Committees have requested their Chairs, the Secretariat or the nomenclature specialists to draft decisions for consideration by the CoP. For these, the text of the summary record is included in the table.
4. The breakdown of the proposed draft CoP20 decisions from these documents are as follows:

Decision directed to: ¹	
Animals Committee	29
Plants Committee	29
Standing Committee	46
Secretariat	68
Parties and relevant stakeholders	57

5. The Secretariat also notes that there are 69 valid Decisions for which there are no recommendations of deletion or of renewal in the SC78 working documents. These cover the following agenda items and a way forward could be agreed at SC78 or be proposed at CoP20.
 - Rules of Procedure of the Conference of the Parties
 - *CITES Strategic Vision*
 - Role of CITES in reducing risk of future zoonotic disease emergence associated with international wildlife trade
 - Cooperation with Multilateral Environmental Agreements and other international organizations
 - Cooperation with the Global Strategy for Plant Conservation
 - Cooperation on the black sea bottlenose dolphins (*Tursiops truncatus ponticus*)
 - International Consortium on Combating Wildlife Crime (ICWC)
 - CITES and forests
 - Financial and operational sustainability of the MIKE and ETIS programmes
 - Engagement of indigenous peoples and local communities
 - National laws for implementation of the Convention
 - Captive-breeding of Sri Lankan agamids

¹ The total number of Decisions is lower than the sum of the Decisions directed to the AC, PC, SC, Secretariat and Parties and relevant stakeholders because some Decisions are directed to two entities at the same time, for instance to the Animals and Plants Committees.

- Review of Resolution Conf. 11.3 (Rev. CoP19) on *Compliance and enforcement*
- Malagasy palisanders and rosewoods (*Dalbergia* spp.) and ebonies (*Diospyros* spp.)
- Enforcement
- Annual illegal trade reports
- ETIS categorization of Parties
- Asian big cats (Felidae spp.)
- Jaguars (*Panthera onca*)
- Rhinoceroses (Rhinocerotidae spp.)
- Tortoises and freshwater turtles (Testudines spp.)
- Non-detriment findings for specimens of Appendix-II species taken from areas beyond national jurisdiction
- Identification of timber and other wood products
- Review of Resolution Conf. 12.10 (Rev. CoP15) on *Registration of operations that breed Appendix-I animal species in captivity for commercial purposes*
- Pangolins (*Manis* spp.)
- Songbird trade and conservation management (Passeriformes spp.)
- African grey parrots (*Psittacus erithacus*)
- Saiga antelopes (*Saiga* spp.)
- Humphead wrasses (*Cheilinus undulatus*)
- Sharks and rays (Elasmobranchii spp.)

19.17 (Rev. CoP20)	Standing Committee, in consultation with the Animals and Plants Committees	Role of CITES in reducing risk of future zoonotic disease emergence associated with international wildlife trade	The Standing Committee shall: a) review the report of the Secretariat under Decision 19.15, taking into account the recommendations of the Animals and Plants Committees under Decision 19.16; b) taking into account the information provided by the Secretariat and the Animals and Plants Committees, consider the establishment of a CITES advisory body to provide guidance based on best available science to Parties, in their efforts to reduce the risk of zoonotic pathogen spillover and transmission from wildlife trade and associated wildlife supply chains, including markets; c) taking into account proposals in document CoP19 Doc. 23.2 and in consultation with the Animals and Plants Committees, consider the need for and development of a Resolution on actions CITES Parties and others could take to advance a 'One Health' approach as it pertains to international wildlife trade; and d) provide its guidance to the Secretariat and its recommendations, which may include a new draft Resolution, to the 20th 21st meeting of the Conference of the Parties.
18.59	Range States of African carnivores	Joint CITES-CMS African Carnivores Initiative	Relevant range States of African carnivores are urged to work through the Joint CITES-CMS African Carnivores Initiative to implement CITES Resolutions and Decisions relating to the species covered by this Initiative.
18.60 (Rev. CoP19)	Parties	Joint CITES-CMS African Carnivores Initiative	Parties are invited to recognize the importance of the Joint CITES-CMS African Carnivores Initiative in implementing CITES Resolutions and Decisions relating to the species covered by the Initiative, and in seeking synergies as appropriate to implement complementary CMS resolutions and decisions.
18.61	Parties, intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations	Joint CITES-CMS African Carnivores Initiative	Parties, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations are encouraged to support relevant African range States, through the Joint CITES-CMS African Carnivores Initiative, in their implementation of CITES Resolutions and Decisions relating to the species covered by this Initiative.
19.24 (Rev. CoP20)	Secretariat	Joint CITES-CMS African Carnivores Initiative	The Secretariat shall: <u>a) subject to external resources, support the range States of the joint CITES-CMS African Carnivore Initiative in preparing a revised ACI Programme of Work and in implementing relevant CITES Resolutions and Decisions that contribute to the ACI;</u> <u>b) inform the Animals Committee regarding the draft revised ACI Programme of Work and the activities and outputs of the Joint CITES-CMS African Carnivore Initiative (ACI) that relate to the Committee's mandate and request advice from the Animals Committee, as appropriate; and</u> <u>c) report on the implementation of this Decision to the Conference of the Parties at its 21st meeting.</u>
19.25 (Rev. CoP20)	Animals Committee	Joint CITES-CMS African Carnivores Initiative	The Animals Committee shall advise the Secretariat, as appropriate, on information that it provides regarding: <u>a) the revised Programme of Work of the African Carnivore Initiative (ACI); and</u> <u>b) the activities and outputs of the ACI that are relevant to the Animals Committee's mandate.</u>

20.IPBES 1	Standing Committee	IPBES Assessment report on the sustainable use of wild species	The Standing Committee shall: a) review the Resolutions and specific aspects relating to drivers of sustainable use and knowledge gaps, challenges and research priorities identified by the Animals and Plants Committees in document PC27 Doc. 10 / AC33 Doc. 11 and the Standing Committee in document SC78 Doc. 17 on the IPBES Assessment report on the sustainable use of wild species relevant to the implementation of the Convention; b) propose amendments to the Resolutions, as appropriate, to incorporate aspects that will enhance the implementation of the Convention; c) submit the results of the review and proposed amendments as they relate to scientific aspects for consideration to the Animals and Plants Committee; and d) consider the inputs received from the Animals and Plants Committee and finalize proposed amendments to the Resolutions for consideration to the 21st meeting of the Conference of the Parties.
20.IPBES 2	Animals and Plants Committees	IPBES Assessment report on the sustainable use of wild species	The Animals and Plants Committees shall review the results of the review conducted by the Standing Committee and proposed amendments as they relate to scientific aspects and provide inputs to the Standing Committee to finalize the review.
20.WWTR 1	Parties	World Wildlife Trade Report	On voluntary basis, Parties are invited to: a) explore the feasibility of collating and compiling information at the national level on the conservation and socio-economic impacts of trade in CITES-listed species and of including price data of CITES specimens in trade in annual reports; and b) share with the Secretariat their experience on the feasibility and challenges in collecting and sharing the above-mentioned information.
20.WWTR 2	Standing Committee	World Wildlife Trade Report	The Standing Committee shall a) review and provide feedback on the outline of an Overview Report, the initial outline of a comprehensive World Wildlife Trade report, submitted by the Secretariat under Decision 20.CC, paragraph a) and the study prepared by the Secretariat under Decision 20.CC, paragraph d); b) review the report by the Secretariat prepared under Decision 20.CC, paragraph c); and c) make recommendations to the 21st meeting of the Conference of the Parties, as appropriate.
20.WWTR 3	Secretariat	World Wildlife Trade Report	Subject to extrabudgetary resources, the Secretariat shall: a) prepare an outline of the Overview Report and an initial outline of the comprehensive World Wildlife Trade Report for publication at CoP21 and CoP22 respectively with explanations on the content, authorship and methodology to be used for the preparation of the reports for consideration by the Standing Committee; b) prepare an Overview Report providing information on global trade in CITES-listed species, covering the trends and patterns of global trade in CITES-listed species as observed during the reporting period, and submit it as an information document to the 21st meeting of the Conference of the Parties (CoP21); and c) compile Parties' inputs from Decision 20.AA and share the findings with the Standing Committee.
19.38 (Rev. CoP20)	Secretariat	Language strategy for the Convention	The Secretariat shall, subject to extrabudgetary contributions: a) provide for the translation of all <u>new and revised</u> valid Resolutions and Decisions into the three additional languages (Arabic, Chinese and Russian) drawing on available informal and official translations; and b) arrange for the translation of the CITES website into these additional languages .

19.39 (Rev. CoP20)	Standing Committee	Language strategy for the Convention	The Standing Committee shall, at its 77th meeting, consider the future approach to the language strategy of the Convention in order to provide interpretation in all six languages at the meetings of the Conference of the Parties, with emphasis on the interpretation at the 20th 21st meeting of the Conference of the Parties, subject to extrabudgetary contributions.
19.40	Parties	Capacity-building	Parties are invited to share ideas, experiences, and information related to the development of an integrated capacity-building framework aiming to guide Parties, the Secretariat and external partners, as appropriate, to identify capacity-building needs and to prioritize, plan, coordinate, implement, monitor and review the benefit of their capacity-building efforts for more effective implementation of the Convention.
19.41 (Rev. CoP20)	Standing Committee, with inputs from the Animals and Plants Committees, the Finance and Budget Subcommittee, and the Secretariat	Capacity-building	The Standing Committee shall establish an intersessional working group on the development of an integrated capacity-building framework to: a)continue the development of an integrated capacity-building framework, including a common language and clear definitions, to improve the implementation of the Convention, with inputs from the Animals and Plants Committees, the Finance and Budget Subcommittee, and the Secretariat; b)in doing so, ensure the representation of perspectives and contexts of different regions and stakeholders (including from Parties that fund and Parties that receive capacity-building support) and consider developing a mechanism for Parties to identify the specific needs that, if met, would allow them to achieve full capacity to implement CITES; and c)provide a draft integrated capacity-building framework (which may include conceptual models, tools and guidance), along with its recommendations, for consideration of the <u>Standing Committee and onward submission to the Conference of the Parties at its 20th 21st meeting.</u>
19.42 (Rev. CoP20)	Animals and Plants Committees	Capacity-building	The Animals and Plants Committees shall engage in consultations with the Standing Committee, as called for in Decision 19.41 (Rev. CoP20); and with the Secretariat as called for in Decision 19.43 (Rev. CoP20).
19.43 (Rev. CoP20)	Secretariat, in consultation with the Standing Committee and the Animals and Plants Committees	Capacity-building	The Secretariat shall provide input to the Standing Committee and, subject to the availability of external funding and in consultation with the Standing Committee and the Animals and Plants Committees, <u>as well as the Chair of the Finance and Budget Subcommittee,</u> organise technical workshops and regional consultations that would facilitate the implementation by the Standing Committee of Decision 19.41 (Rev. CoP20).
20.CAP1	Parties	Compliance Assistance Programme	Parties are invited to continue to provide financial or technical support to Parties subject to compliance mechanisms and other related compliance measures as specified in Resolution Conf. 14.3 (Rev. CoP19) on CITES compliance procedures, including through the Compliance Assistance Programme to meet the needs of eligible Parties.

20.CAP2	Secretariat	Compliance Assistance Programme	Subject to extrabudgetary resources, the Secretariat shall: a) continue assisting Parties through the Compliance Assistance Programme, and extend the CAP to other eligible Parties; b) support Parties' mainstreaming of gender in the development, implementation and monitoring of CAP activities, in line with the forthcoming CITES Gender Action Plan; c) in consultation with the International University of Andalucía which hosts the Master's Course in 'Management and Conservation of Species in Trade – The International Framework' and other relevant universities, encourage the participation of Management and Scientific Authorities of CAP beneficiary Parties in the Master's Course, and consider enriching it with a module on project management; and d) report to the Standing Committee on the progress made in the implementation of the CAP and submit for its consideration any proposal for its further development.
20.CAP3	Standing Committee	Compliance Assistance Programme	The Standing Committee shall monitor progress in the implementation of the CAP and report its findings and recommendations to the 21st meeting of the Conference of the Parties.
20.Countr yRST1	Parties subject to recommendations under the Review of Significant Trade	Country-wide Review of Significant Trade	Parties subject to recommendations under the Review of Significant Trade are encouraged to make use of the Guidance on the making of non-detriment findings (NDFs) developed under Decision 19.132; and provide feedback on the use of this guidance to the Secretariat.
20.Countr yRST2	Secretariat	Country-wide Review of Significant Trade	Subject to the availability of resources, the Secretariat shall provide targeted capacity-building support at a national level to Parties currently subject to recommendations under the Review of Significant Trade, including the application of the new NDF Guidance produced under Decision 19.132.
20.Countr yRST3	Animals and Plants Committees	Country-wide Review of Significant Trade	The Animals and Plants Committees shall, taking into account the progress made under the Compliance Assistance Programme and the development of a Capacity-Building Framework: a) review the results of the Evaluation of the country-wide Review of Significant Trade (RST) process report produced for AC30/PC24 and consider whether the RST process or a complementary new mechanism could provide targeted support to Parties with recurring issues in making non-detriment findings for multiple species, who are not currently eligible for the Compliance Assistance Programme, and on the possible role of the Scientific Committees in facilitating this; and b) provide recommendations, including possible amendments to Resolution Conf. 12.8 (Rev. CoP18) on Review of Significant Trade in specimens of Appendix-II species or other existing resolutions, or the development of a new resolution; for consideration by the Standing Committee.
20.Countr yRST4	Standing Committee, in consultation with the Secretariat	Country-wide Review of Significant Trade	The Standing Committee shall review the report and the recommendations of the Animals and Plants Committees, and in consultation with the Secretariat, make recommendations for consideration at the 21st meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

20.forests		CITES and forests	request the Secretariat to submit a final Report of the interdisciplinary study on CITES and forests, incorporating the outcomes of the post-SC78 intersessional consultations [see recommendation c) above], an assessment of the implementation of Decisions 19.32 to 19.34, and recommendations relating to revised or new decisions on CITES and forests, for consideration at CoP20.
20.CTSP	Secretariat, Plants Committee and Standing Committee	CITES Tree Species Programme	The Secretariat shall: a) report to the Plants and Standing Committees on the implementation of the CITES Tree Species Programme as appropriate, bringing to the attention relevant technical and scientific results; b) seek advice and guidance from the Plants and Standing Committees to assess the potential for the CITES Tree Species Programme to be made a permanent programme; and c) report on the implementation of this Decision at the 21st meeting of the Conference of the Parties.
19.51	Secretariat and the Chair of the Standing Committee	CITES gender action plan	The Secretariat and the Chair of the Standing Committee, subject to available resources, shall draw on the available body of knowledge, lessons and experiences on gender and how it interacts with other identifying factors in matters related to legal and illegal international trade of wild flora and fauna, to develop a draft gender action plan for submission to the Standing Committee. The draft gender action plan should: a) consider the needs of indigenous and local peoples of all genders, especially women and girls, as well as how to incorporate their perspectives, skills and talents at all ages, and local and traditional knowledge; b) aim to ensure that women and girls in all their diversity have equal access to, ownership and/or control over the use of wild flora and fauna, can fully and effectively engage in international trade of species of wild fauna and flora, and receive a fair and equitable share of benefits arising from the use and trade of such wildlife; thus reducing poverty and gender gaps through the promotion of economic and decision-making freedom; c) aim to prevent and respond to gender-based violence in wild flora and fauna international trade chains; d) promote gender equality and increase and strengthen the participation and leadership of women at all levels of decision-making and participation in processes related to international wild flora and fauna trade; e) enhance the full, equal and meaningful participation and leadership of all genders, in particular women, in the implementation of the Convention, including through the engagement of civil society organizations, women's groups and women delegates, and provide opportunities for building their capacities; and f) identify specific actions to advance the objectives above, across international trade chains for sustainable and legal wild flora and fauna, including parts and derivatives, as well as associated activities, including harvesting, law enforcement, and policy-making.
19.52 (Rev. CoP20)	Standing Committee	CITES gender action plan	The Standing Committee shall consider any draft gender action plan received from the Secretariat under Decision 19.51 and, if considered appropriate, submit a final version of that action plan, as an annex to the Resolution on Gender and international trade in wild fauna and flora, for approval by the Conference of the Parties at its 20th <u>21st</u> meeting.
19.53	Parties and relevant stakeholders	CITES gender action plan	Parties and relevant stakeholders, are encouraged to: a) support the preparation of the "CITES Gender Action Plan" by sharing knowledge, case studies and other relevant experiences with the Secretariat; b) strengthen the evidence base and understanding of the gender-differentiated impacts of sustainable use and international trade in species of wild flora and fauna, and fair and equitable benefit-sharing; and c) provide financial support towards the development and implementation of the Gender Action Plan.

20.Livelihoods1	Parties	Livelihoods	Parties are invited to: a) initiate or strengthen participatory policy at national level, recognizing the rights of Indigenous and local communities to either own or access and manage wildlife resources, and benefit equitably, for both men and women, from legal and sustainable management and trade in CITES-listed species, taking advantage of their traditional knowledge as appropriate, and subject to national legislation; and b) share experiences, best practices and lessons learned in the use of certification and labelling systems for products of CITES-listed species from indigenous peoples and local communities, document best practices as case studies, and share such experiences with other Parties and the Secretariat.
20.Livelihoods2	Secretariat	Livelihoods	Subject to the availability of extrabudgetary resources, the Secretariat shall: a) compile and analyse information received from Parties under Decision 20.AA, paragraph b). b) support the development of case studies on the use of certification and labelling systems for products from Indigenous peoples and local communities in international trade to explore feasibility and identify best practices; c) organize a technical workshop to review case studies on the use of the certification and labelling systems for products from Indigenous peoples and local communities; and d) report to the Standing Committee on progress made with regard to the implementation of paragraphs a), b) and c) and make recommendations on possible next steps, as appropriate.
20.Livelihoods3	Standing Committee	Livelihoods	The Standing Committee shall: a) establish an intersessional working group on livelihoods to: i) review case studies on the use of certification and labelling systems for products from Indigenous peoples and local communities and make recommendations to the Standing Committee; ii) review new case studies on CITES and livelihoods, if available and b) review the report of the working group on livelihoods and the report of the Secretariat on progress made under Decision 20.BB and make recommendations, as appropriate, to the 21st meeting of the Conference of the Parties.
20.DemandReduction1	Parties	Demand reduction to combat illegal trade	Parties are invited to: a) share their experience in using the Guidance for CITES Parties to develop and implement demand reduction strategies to combat illegal trade in CITES-listed species with other Parties and the Secretariat; b) communicate to the Secretariat information on priority species for potential pilot projects that require extrabudgetary resources; and c) promote the use of the Guidance by organizing pilot projects and providing support to the potential pilot projects mentioned in paragraph b) above.
20.DemandReduction2	Secretariat	Demand reduction to combat illegal trade	The Secretariat shall: a) collect and analyse the experiences in using the Guidance shared by Parties; b) subject to extrabudgetary resources, and in consultation with donors and potential target Parties, organize pilot projects to promote the use of the Guidance for priority species and Parties with necessary adaptation to suit local context; c) subject to extrabudgetary resources, support interested Parties in implementing demand reduction strategies to combat illegal trade in CITES-listed species; and d) report on the progress made in the implementation of this Decision to the Standing Committee.

20.DemandReduction3	Standing Committee	Demand reduction to combat illegal trade	The Standing Committee shall review the report of the Secretariat on the implementation of Decision 20.BB and make recommendations to the Conference of the Parties, as appropriate.
20.CB-DB	Secretariat	Captive-breeding review database	Subject to external funding and available Secretariat resources, the Secretariat shall develop, test and maintain a Captive Breeding tracking and management database as an essential tool for the effective implementation and transparency of the process under Resolution Conf. 17.7 (Rev. CoP19) on Review of animal specimens reported as produced in captivity.
20.Interne t1	Secretariat	Wildlife crime linked to the Internet	The Secretariat shall: a) make available to the Standing Committee, once they are published, the two regional studies identifying the CITES-listed species most frequently involved in illegal trade on digital and online platforms, and examining the relevant national laws and best practices implemented by Parties to combat wildlife crime related to the Internet; b) subject to the availability of extrabudgetary resources, conduct further studies in at least two additional regions to identify the CITES-listed species most frequently involved in illegal trade on digital and online platforms. The studies should also examine the relevant national laws and best practices implemented by Parties to combat wildlife crime related to the Internet; and c) based on the findings of these studies, prepare recommendations for consideration by the Standing Committee.
20.Interne t2	Secretariat	Wildlife crime linked to the Internet	The Secretariat shall report to the Standing Committee, and subsequently the Conference of the Parties at its 21st meeting, on the implementation of Decision 20.AA.
20.Interne t3	Standing Committee	Wildlife crime linked to the Internet	The Standing Committee shall review the Secretariat's report called for in Decision 20.AA and make recommendations, as appropriate.
20.WestC entralAfric a1	Parties and donor organizations	Wildlife crime enforcement support in West and Central Africa	Parties and donor organizations are encouraged to: a) notify the Secretariat of any funding opportunities that should be included on the CITES website in accordance with Decision 20.BB paragraph a); and b) explore the possibility to make available additional funding for activities to support Parties with CITES implementation and efforts to combat wildlife crime.
20.WestC entralAfric a2	Secretariat	Wildlife crime enforcement support in West and Central Africa	The Secretariat shall: a) make information available on the CITES website about initiatives, projects and funding opportunities, to bring to the attention of Parties available funding sources they can reach out to for support in their efforts to implement CITES and combat wildlife crime; and b) organize a forum, in collaboration with relevant initiatives, partners and donors, focused on how Parties can access funds in support of their efforts to implement CITES and combat wildlife crime.
20.WestC entralAfric a3	Parties, governmental, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and other entities	Wildlife crime enforcement support in West and Central Africa	Parties, governmental, intergovernmental, non-governmental organizations and other entities are encouraged to support CITES Parties in their efforts to implement the Convention and combat wildlife crime, in particular with the implementation of CITES Decisions relevant to them, national or regional strategies developed and being implemented by Parties and, as appropriate, consider such support in the development of work programmes or initiatives.

20.WestCentralAfrica4	Secretariat	Wildlife crime enforcement support in West and Central Africa	Subject to extrabudgetary resources, the Secretariat shall work with its ICCWC partners to continue providing targeted support to Parties in West and Central Africa, to combat wildlife crime.
19.89	Parties	Task Force on illegal trade in specimens of CITES-listed tree species	Parties are encouraged to fully implement the measures and activities outlined in the Outcome document of the CITES Task Force meeting on illegal trade in specimens of listed tree species, as relevant to them, to prevent and combat illegal trade in specimens of CITES-listed tree species, and to report on the implementation of this Decision to the Secretariat.
20.TreeTF1	Secretariat	Task Force on illegal trade in specimens of CITES-listed tree species	Subject to extrabudgetary resources, the Secretariat shall: a)organize a workshop on illegal trade in timber species to facilitate the exchange of experiences, promote collaboration, and advance the implementation of the measures and activities outlined in the outcome document of the CITES Task Force meeting on illegal trade in specimens of listed tree species; b)work with the UNODC and the World Customs Organization to provide training in regions affected by illegal trade in CITES-listed tree species, on physical inspection of timber shipments and to support the undertaking of risk assessments to develop national risk indicators specific to this illegal trade; and c)report to the Standing Committee on the implementation of Decisions 19.89 and 20.AA, together with any recommendations the Secretariat may have.
20.TreeTF2	Standing Committee	Task Force on illegal trade in specimens of CITES-listed tree species	The Standing Committee shall consider the report and recommendations of the Secretariat in accordance with Decision 20.AA and make recommendations to the Parties or the Secretariat, as appropriate.
20.BigCats1	Parties	Illegal trade in big cats	Parties affected by illegal trade in specimens of big cat species are encouraged to make every effort to fully implement the strategies, measures and activities outlined in the CITES Big Cats Task Force outcome document, as relevant to them, and to report on the implementation of this Decision to the Secretariat.
20.BigCats2	Secretariat	Illegal trade in big cats	The Secretariat shall report to the Standing Committee on the implementation of Decision 20.AA, together with any recommendations it may have.
20.BigCats3	Standing Committee	Illegal trade in big cats	The Standing Committee shall: a)consider the report and recommendations of the Secretariat in accordance with Decision 20.BB and make recommendations to the Parties or the Secretariat as appropriate; and b)report on the implementation of the present Decision to the 21st meeting of the Conference of the Parties together with any recommendations it may have.
20.Totoaba1	Parties and relevant stakeholders	Totoabas (Totoaba macdonaldi)	In their implementation of measures and activities to conserve and protect totoaba and vaquita and address poaching and illegal trade affecting these species, Parties and relevant stakeholders are encouraged to: a)take into consideration the information contained in the study on totoaba and vaquita available in Annex 7 to document SC78 Doc. 33.12.1; b)support efforts related to the recovery and monitoring of wild populations of totoaba and vaquita; c)support efforts to eliminate supply of and demand for illegally sourced specimens of totoaba; and d)make every effort to support Mexico in the implementation of Decision 20.DD.

20.Totoab a2	Parties affected by illegal fishing and trafficking of totoabas	Totoabas (Totoaba macdonaldi)	<p>Parties affected by illegal fishing and trafficking of totoabas are encouraged to:</p> <p>a) fully implement the measures and activities outlined in the online Meeting of Range, Transit and Consumer States of Totoaba agreed outcomes document, as relevant to them, applying strict enforcement measures to prevent and combat this illegal trade and prosecute the criminals involved;</p> <p>b) draw upon the secure law enforcement communication channels and tools provided by INTERPOL and the World Customs Organization to share information on seizures and arrests associated with totoaba specimen trafficking; and</p> <p>c) engage in awareness-raising activities on the illegal trade in totoaba, and its severe implications for the conservation of vaquitas (<i>Phocoena sinus</i>), including demand reduction campaigns, as well as activities to eliminate supply and demand for illegally sourced specimens of totoaba, taking into consideration the measures and activities outlined in the Meeting of Range Transit and Consumer States of Totoaba agreed outcomes document under the heading Opportunities to eliminate supply and demand for illegally sourced specimens of totoaba.</p>
20.Totoab a3	China	Totoabas (Totoaba macdonaldi)	<p>China is encouraged to:</p> <p>a) strengthen information and intelligence gathering regarding individuals within the country managing and organizing illegal trade involving totoaba specimens, analyze data gathered to map out their criminal networks, and target their activities through intelligence-driven investigations and operations to facilitate their arrest and prosecution; and</p> <p>b) report to the 81st meeting of the Standing Committee on activities conducted and any associated results achieved.</p>

20.Totoab a4	Mexico	Totoabas (Totoaba macdonaldi)	<p>Mexico is requested to:</p> <p>a)pursue the urgent implementation of all aspects of the Agreement regulating gears, systems, methods, techniques and schedules for the performance of fishing activities with smaller and larger vessels in Mexican Marine Zones in the Northern Gulf of California and establishing landing sites, as well as the use of monitoring systems for such vessels (“the Agreement”), or any new or revised version of “the Agreement”;</p> <p>b)continue implementation of measures to effectively prevent fishers from using gillnets in the Vaquita Refuge Area (VRA) and vessels from entering the Vaquita Zero-Tolerance Area (Zo) and to maintain these areas completely gillnet-free, including by:</p> <p>i)ensuring surveillance on a full-time basis drawing upon all systems at its disposal;</p> <p>ii)implementing a strict zero-tolerance policy concerning unauthorized fishing and fishing gear in these areas and imposing strict penalties where irregularities are detected, including the seizure of both vessels and unauthorized fishing gear combined with administrative or criminal penalties as applicable;</p> <p>iii)deploying authorities with legal powers of seizure and arrest, together with the Navy, to effectively prevent, disrupt and put an end to the illegal fishing activities;</p> <p>iv)maintaining resources to ensure uninterrupted gillnet removal and to take all necessary measures to destroy confiscated nets;</p> <p>c)scale up activities in support of selective fishing gear development and use, including by implementing dedicated programmes in this regard, in consultation with stakeholders to ensure inclusivity and acceptance;</p> <p>d)maintain strict control over the activities of vessels to which fishing permits with alternative gear were granted to ensure that only the alternative gear is used as authorized by the permits and that strict action is taken when any irregularities are detected;</p> <p>e)continue delivering activities through awareness and sensitization programmes in pursuit of behaviour change regarding the use of alternative fishing gear that does not pose a threat to the vaquita and to deter illegal activities;</p> <p>f)take measures to address illegal totoaba fishing displaced elsewhere due to strengthened measures deployed at the Zo</p>
20.Totoab a5	United States of America	Totoabas (Totoaba macdonaldi)	<p>The United States of America is encouraged to:</p> <p>a)strengthen information and intelligence gathering regarding individuals within its territory facilitating the transit of illegal totoaba specimen consignments through its territory, their modus operandi to receive, store and export such illegal consignments, and to target their activities through intelligence-driven investigations and operations, including by sharing information with authorities in Mexico and China, as appropriate, in support of follow up investigations across the illegal trade chain;</p> <p>b)in its implementation of measures and activities to address totoaba specimen trafficking, consider the risk of commercial seafood shipments transiting its territory being used to conceal and smuggle illegal totoaba swim bladder consignments and to apply strict inspection measures to such shipments originating from and destined to Parties known to be affected by totoaba specimen trafficking, as well as review related national practices to ensure that the measures in place are effective and adapted as may be needed to respond to any newly identified trends; and</p> <p>c)report to the 81st meeting of the Standing Committee on the activities conducted and any associated results achieved.</p>

20.Totoaba6	China, Mexico, and the United States of America	Totoabas (Totoaba macdonaldi)	China, Mexico, and the United States of America are requested to jointly submit, through the Chair of the Trilateral Enforcement Contact Group (TECG), a report to the 81st meeting of the Standing Committee on the activities conducted in accordance with the TECG terms of reference, as well as associated results achieved, as appropriate.
20.Totoaba7	Secretariat	Totoabas (Totoaba macdonaldi)	The Secretariat shall: a) seek information from Parties on their implementation of Decisions 20.AA and 20.BB; b) report to the 81st meeting of the Standing Committee on its implementation of Decision 20.GG together with any recommendations it may have.
20.Totoaba8	Standing Committee	Totoabas (Totoaba macdonaldi)	The Standing Committee shall review the reporting submitted by Parties and the Secretariat in accordance with Decisions 20.CC to 20.GG and make recommendations as appropriate.
20.ETISR review1	Secretariat	Implementation of the ETIS review recommendations	Subject to the availability of external funding, the Secretariat shall: a) finalize the feasibility assessment for alternative support mechanisms for the Elephant Trade Information System (ETIS); b) review the terms of reference of the MIKE-ETIS Technical Advisory Group and propose amendments, as appropriate; c) in consultation with TRAFFIC and the MIKE and ETIS Technical Advisory Group (TAG): i) identify and test covariates that could feature as country specific variables for bias-adjustment purposes or as explanatory factors to further enhance the interpretation of the ETIS results better and improve the understanding of the ETIS results; ii) explore the feasibility of an integrated analysis using the Monitoring of Illegal Killing of Elephants (MIKE), ETIS and African Elephant Database data; and iii) examine the relationship between ivory stockpiles and illegal ivory trade based on aggregated stockpile data; and d) report on the implementation of paragraph a) to c) and make recommendations as necessary to the Standing Committee.
20.ETISR review2	Standing Committee	Implementation of the ETIS review recommendations	The Standing Committee shall review the report provided by the Secretariat and make recommendations, as necessary, for consideration at the 21st meeting of the Conference of the Parties.
20.Cheetah1	Parties affected by illegal trade in cheetahs	Illegal trade in cheetahs (Acinonyx jubatus)	Parties affected by illegal trade in cheetahs are encouraged to pursue the recommendations outlined in the CITES Big Cats Task Force outcome document, particularly to: a) if they have not already done so, review their national legislation, taking into consideration the relevant provisions in Resolution Conf. 11.3 (Rev.CoP20) on Compliance and enforcement and, where needed, revise such legislation to ensure that it adequately addresses illegal wildlife trade, including illegal trade in cheetahs; b) ensure that adequate resources and capacities to enforce legislation addressing illegal trade in cheetahs are in place; c) strengthen regional and international collaboration to address illegal trade in cheetahs; c) scale up activities to address illegal online trade in cheetah specimens, including by drawing upon the support available through INTERPOL, the Wildlife Crime Linked to the Internet: Practical Guidelines for Law Enforcement Practitioners, and as appropriate, reviewing their implementation of the provisions under "Regarding wildlife crime linked to the Internet", in Resolution Conf. 11.3 (Rev. CoP20); and d) report to the Secretariat on the implementation of this Decision.

20.Cheetah2	Secretariat	Illegal trade in cheetahs (<i>Acinonyx jubatus</i>)	The Secretariat shall report to the Standing Committee on the implementation of Decision 20.AA, together with any recommendations it may have.
20.Cheetah3	Standing Committee	Illegal trade in cheetahs (<i>Acinonyx jubatus</i>)	The Standing Committee shall consider the report of the Secretariat in accordance with Decision 20.BB and make recommendations to the Parties by the 21st meeting of the Conference of the Parties, as appropriate.
20.AsianElephant	Secretariat	Asian elephants (<i>Elephas maximus</i>)	Subject to extrabudgetary resources, the Secretariat shall: a)work with its partners in the International Consortium on Combating Wildlife Crime (ICWC) and relevant experts to provide training to authorities from Asian elephant range States on the identification of ivory and other elephant specimens, sample taking from ivory seizures and seizures of other elephant specimens for forensic analysis and associated chain of custody procedures; and b)develop a fact sheet to facilitate consistent interpretation of what constitutes a "captive bred" Asian elephant in accordance with the provisions of the Convention and relevant Resolutions and make the fact sheet available to Parties to draw upon and use as needed.
20.CaptiveTigers1	Parties in whose territories there are facilities that breed large numbers of tigers and facilities housing large numbers of tigers	Tigers (<i>Panthera tigris</i>) in captivity	All Parties in whose territories there are facilities that breed large numbers of tigers and facilities housing large numbers of tigers to consider taking the following methodical approach regarding these facilities to improve their conservation and educational value, as well as to put an end to the activities of facilities that do not have conservation or educational value, fail to comply with regulations and pose a risk regarding parts and derivatives from these animals entering illegal trade: a)identify facilities keeping tigers of genetic and conservation value and engage these facilities in coordinated conservation breeding for such animals; b)identify facilities keeping tigers in captivity that are suitably located to ensure public access and that meet husbandry and welfare conditions based on national and international guidelines, and implement support programmes where needed (for example providing guidance on development of educational materials, signs and posters), for these facilities to fully transform into facilities with educational value that are raising awareness benefitting conservation of tigers in the wild, including bringing the attention of the public to illegal trade and the need to combat it; c)implement and enforce measures to reduce the number of tigers in facilities that are not contributing to conservation of wild tigers or have limited educational value, by restricting breeding of tigers (e.g., by separating male and female tigers, sterilization or other disposal measures, including euthanasia) within these facilities, as well as restricting these facilities from acquiring any new animals; d)taking into consideration Decision 14.69 that directs Parties to restrict the captive population to a level supportive only to conserving wild tigers and that tigers should not be bred for trade in their parts and derivatives, prohibit the establishment of new facilities keeping tigers in captivity with narrow exemptions where warranted; e)assess the need for rescue centres, sanctuaries, or other disposal measures, including euthanasia, etc. as may be required due to the phase-out of intensive tiger operations; f)review management practices and controls to regulate activities of facilities keeping tigers in captivity to ensure that they are adequate to prevent tiger specimens from entering illegal trade from or through such facilities, including licensing of such facilities, accurate record keeping of individual tigers, regular inspections and well-regulated disposal of tigers that die in captivity; and

20.CaptiveTigers2	Governments, intergovernmental organizations, international aid agencies, and non-governmental organizations	Tigers (<i>Panthera tigris</i>) in captivity	All governments, intergovernmental organizations, international aid agencies, and non-governmental organizations to urgently provide funds and other assistance to Parties with facilities that breed large numbers of tigers and those housing large numbers of tigers to support the implementation of Decision 20.AA.
20.MGTes tudines1	Madagascar	Tortoises and freshwater turtles (<i>Testudines</i> spp.)	Madagascar is requested to: a)provide an update on its Global Action Plan for the Conservation of Madagascar's endemic tortoises and freshwater turtles, including species-specific strategies, for the critically endangered tortoise and freshwater turtle species (<i>Astrochelys radiata</i> , <i>A. yniphora</i> , <i>Pyxis arachnoides</i> and <i>P. planicauda</i>); b)report on recent activities undertaken to implement the Global Action Plan and to finalize and implement the species specific strategies, taking into consideration the multifaceted threats of collection for local consumption and international trade compounded by habitat loss; and c)submit a report covering the aspects in sub-paragraphs a) and b) of Decision 20.AA to the Secretariat 90 days in advance of the 34th meeting of the Animals Committee, for it to be made available to the Committee.
20.MGTes tudines2	Madagascar	Tortoises and freshwater turtles (<i>Testudines</i> spp.)	Madagascar is requested to: a)report on recent activities undertaken to: i)gather information and intelligence on the criminal networks operating within and from the Madagascar and pursue investigations targeting those individuals managing and organizing the illegal activities; ii)facilitate information and intelligence exchange with Parties that seize and confiscate tortoises and freshwater turtles originating from Madagascar, with the aim of initiating investigations to bring criminals involved across the illegal trade chain to justice; iii)strengthen enforcement of existing laws and regulations, as well as any activities that might be undertaken to consider reviewing and amending Madagascar's legislation as needed, taking into consideration paragraphs 6. c), d) and f) of Resolution Conf. 11.3 (Rev. CoP19) on Compliance and enforcement, and associated recommendations resulting from the implementation of the International Consortium on Combating Wildlife Crime (ICWC) Wildlife and Forest Crime Analytic Toolkit in the country; and iv)inform and sensitize the public about endemic tortoise and freshwater turtle species of Madagascar and the importance of their conservation and protection, as well as to sensitize and raise awareness among its national law enforcement agencies regarding illegal trade in tortoises and freshwater turtles and the importance of scaling up law enforcement efforts to address this illegal trade and analyse the outcomes of these activities. b)submit a report to the Secretariat 90 days in advance of the 81st meeting of the Standing Committee, for it to be made available to the Committee.
20.MGTes tudines3	Secretariat	Tortoises and freshwater turtles (<i>Testudines</i> spp.)	The Secretariat shall review the reports from Madagascar in accordance with Decisions 20.AA and 20.BB and make them available to the Animals Committee and the Standing Committee, respectively, together with any recommendations the Secretariat may have.

20.MGTes tudines4	Animals Committee	Tortoises and freshwater turtles (Testudines spp.)	The Animals Committee shall review the report from Madagascar and any recommendations the Secretariat may have in accordance with Decision 20.AA, and submit its recommendations to the Standing Committee, as appropriate.
20.MGTes tudines5	Standing Committee	Tortoises and freshwater turtles (Testudines spp.)	The Standing Committee shall: a) consider the report from the Animals Committee in accordance with Decision 20.DD and the report from Madagascar and any recommendations of the Secretariat in accordance with Decision 20.CC, and agree recommendations directed to Madagascar, as appropriate; and b) report at the 21st meeting of the Conference of the Parties on the implementation of Decision 20.EE.
20.LAF1	Parties	Legal acquisition findings	Parties are invited to continue using the 'Rapid guide for making legal acquisition findings' developed by the Secretariat and offer, upon request, peer assistance to other Parties for the improvement of their capacity to verify legal acquisition for different taxa.
20.LAF2	Parties	Legal acquisition findings	Parties are requested to provide observations and feedback to the Secretariat following their tested use of the 'Rapid guide for making legal acquisition findings' and, where possible, to share examples of legal provisions, guides, or standard operating procedures developed at the national level for the making of LAFs, as well as examples of LAFs as appropriate, to build knowledge, experience and share best practices regarding the implementation of Resolution Conf. 18.7 (Rev. CoP20).
20.LAF3	Secretariat	Legal acquisition findings	The Secretariat shall: a) subject to extrabudgetary resources, and taking into consideration the information gathered under Decision 20.BB on experiences with using the Rapid Guide, continue to work with partners for the further development of digital solutions to automate relevant parts of the 'Rapid guide for making legal acquisition findings', including the CITES-LEX platform developed in cooperation with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, inviting Parties to provide input on the development of these digital solutions, and maintain a dedicated webpage regarding the verification of legal acquisition for different taxa and specimens on the CITES website and update it regularly; b) subject to extrabudgetary resources, continue to organize workshops and other capacity-building activities related to the implementation of Resolution Conf. 18.7 (Rev. CoP20) on Legal acquisition findings and disseminate training material for the verification of the legal acquisition of CITES specimens; and c) report to the Standing Committee on the progress made in the implementation of Resolution Conf. 18.7 (Rev. CoP20) on the basis of information, experiences and examples submitted by Parties.
20.LAF4	Standing Committee	Legal acquisition findings	The Standing Committee shall monitor progress in the implementation of Resolution Conf. 18.7 (Rev. CoP20), assess any reports submitted by the Secretariat as per Decision 20.CC and, where appropriate, make recommendations for improving the verification of legal acquisition by the Parties for submission to the 21st meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

20.NDF1	Secretariat	Non-detriment findings	<p>The Secretariat shall:</p> <p>a) publish a Notification to the Parties inviting them to share feedback, including examples, as appropriate, on the use of the CITES Non-detriment finding (NDF) guidance with the Secretariat, preferably through the regional representatives of the Animals and Plants Committees;</p> <p>b) taking into consideration the information received through the Notification as well as the experience gained through the field-testing of the guidance, prepare recommendations for consideration by the Animals and Plants Committees regarding:</p> <p>i) possible amendments of the CITES NDF guidance, as appropriate; and</p> <p>ii) possible amendments to Resolution Conf. 16.7 (Rev. CoP17) on Non-detriment findings, to establish a regular mechanism for the Animals and Plants Committees to identify, review and agree updates to the CITES NDF guidance; and</p> <p>c) subject to external funding, prepare draft amendments to the NDF guidance based on advice received from the Animals and Plants Committees and submit the proposed amendments for consideration by the Committees.</p>
20.NDF2	Animals and Plants Committees	Non-detriment findings	<p>The Animals and Plants Committees shall:</p> <p>a) consider the recommendations submitted by the Secretariat under Decision 20.AA;</p> <p>b) advise the Secretariat on amendments to the CITES NDF guidance, as appropriate;</p> <p>c) if necessary and as appropriate, propose to the Conference of the Parties amendments to Resolution Conf. 16.7 (Rev. CoP17) on Non-detriment findings to establish a regular mechanism for the Animals and Plants Committees to identify, review and agree updates to the CITES NDF guidance; and</p> <p>d) report to the 21st meeting of the Conference of the Parties.</p>
18.169 (Rev. CoP19)	Secretariat	Guidance on non-detriment findings for trade in leopard (<i>Panthera pardus</i>) hunting trophies	<p>The Secretariat shall, subject to external resources:</p> <p>a) encourage and support all Parties with quotas for leopard hunting trophies established under Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP19) to exchange information and lessons learnt regarding the process for determining that such quotas are non-detrimental to the survival of the species in the wild; and</p> <p>b) in cooperation with range States and relevant experts, develop guidance that can assist Parties in the making of non-detriment findings for trade in leopard hunting trophies in compliance with Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP19), share the draft guidance with the Animals Committee for its review, make such guidance available on the CITES website, and encourage its use by relevant Parties.</p>
19.146 (Rev. CoP20)	Parties	Identification of timber and other wood products	<p>Parties are encouraged to:</p> <p>a) collaborate with the Secretariat in sharing relevant information in support of the implementation of Decisions 19.145 and 19.147. 20.AA;</p> <p><u>b) prioritize the development of identification materials for:</u></p> <p><u>i) priority CITES-listed tree species, taking into consideration the prioritization done by the Plants Committee in Decision 19.147 (Rev. CoP20) and the needs of frontline enforcement staff; and</u></p> <p><u>ii) look-alike species that may not be of conservation concern, such as <i>Dalberia sissoo</i>.</u></p>

20. Timber ID	Secretariat	Identification of timber and other wood products	<p>The Secretariat shall</p> <p>a) issue a Notification to the Parties inviting Parties to provide information to the Secretariat relating to:</p> <p>i) the CITES listed tree species in international trade to be prioritized for the development of timber identification material, taking into consideration the prioritization done during the previous intersessional period for African tree species, Neotropical tree species and Rosewood tree species contained in documents PC26 SR, PC27 Doc 31, PC27 Doc. 27, PC27 SR;</p> <p>ii) priorities for frontline enforcement as it relates to timber identification, including:</p> <p>A. existing diagnostic keys or taxon-specific CITES identification materials for priority species that can be shared with the Secretariat for publication on the CITES website; and</p> <p>B. key gaps relating to identification material to be addressed.</p> <p>iii) available timber identification techniques and tools used by Parties, the standards applicable to the techniques and tools and the usefulness of these tools,</p> <p>iv) minimum information contained in wood sample collection forms or documents for wood samples to be recognized; and all possible fields that are captured in a wood sample collections;</p> <p>v) publicly accessible wood sample databases that can be included on the CITES website; and where feasible, information on the process by which other Parties might submit a request to access database that are restricted; and</p> <p>vi) best practices and experiences in the development and use of wood identification technologies to build expertise in wood identification;</p> <p>b) make information shared by Parties relating to materials, techniques, tools and database on timber identification available on the CITES website; and</p> <p>c) collate this information for the consideration of the Plants Committee at its 28th meeting and Standing Committee, as appropriate.</p>
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19.147 (Rev. CoP20)	Plants Committee, in collaboration with relevant stakeholders	Identification of timber and other wood products	<p>The Plants Committee shall, in collaboration with relevant stakeholders and building on information on existing initiatives <u>and processes, information contained in document PC27 Doc. 18.2 and its Annexes and the responses to the Notification issued by the Secretariat in terms of Decision 20.AA, and progress to date:</u></p> <p>a) develop a plan to prioritize the CITES-listed tree species <u>for which identification materials, reference databases and tools should be developed</u> to focus global efforts on developing and sharing identification reference databases and tools, including sampling campaigns for vouchered reference samples;</p> <p>b) <u>advise on possible mechanisms to address the shortage of vouchered reference samples</u> prioritize the development of identification material for Dalbergia species, taking into consideration progress made in document PC25 Doc. 34 and document CoP10 Doc. 84.1, and giving attention to frontline identification materials to assist differentiating look alike species that may not be of conservation concern, such as Dalbergia sissoo;</p> <p>c) <u>consider the</u> develop a list of available techniques and tools, and evaluate their standards and usefulness to species-specific identification and enforcement for <u>priority</u> CITES-listed tree species and their look-alikes;</p> <p>d) determine gaps in current knowledge sources for CITES timber identification, on their availability and usefulness, and consider challenges and resourcing required to make these tools more widely available to CITES Parties;</p> <p>e) develop standardized information templates and other tools that could be used by Parties to facilitate sharing information on the content and status of wood sample collections, and exchange with research institutions, law enforcement agencies, and other authorities;</p> <p>f) determine methods to stimulate global, regional and national exchange of best practices in wood identification technologies between Parties, including lessons learned on how Parties have built their timber identification capacity and expertise;</p> <p><u>dg) consider the outcomes of the review of the utility and practicality of the online repository conducted by the Secretariat and make recommendations on its further development to inform implementation of Decision 19.145;</u></p> <p>h) consider the relevant outcomes of the online Task Force meeting on illegal trade in specimens of CITES-listed tree species presented in the Annex to the Addendum to document SG74 Doc. 33.2; and</p>
19.148 (Rev. CoP20)	Standing Committee	Identification of timber and other wood products	<p>The Standing Committee shall consider any report by the Plants Committee relating to the implementation of Decision 19.147 (Rev. CoP20) and convey, as appropriate, any recommendations it may have to the Conference of the Parties.</p>

20.PurposeCode	Standing Committee	Purpose-of-transaction codes	<p>The Standing Committee shall re-establish an intersessional joint working group to review the use of purpose-of-transaction codes by Parties, with the following terms of reference:</p> <p>a) the working group shall be composed of Parties from as many of the six CITES regions as possible, and appropriate intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, with expertise in the issuance of CITES documents and use of purpose-of-transaction codes for evaluation within the permit issuance process and trade data analysis;</p> <p>b) the working group shall, communicating through electronic media, focus on clearly defining purpose-of transaction codes, other than those adopted as of CoP20, to encourage their consistent use, and consider the possible elimination or amendment of current codes or the inclusion of new ones. In particular the working group shall continue the discussions on purpose codes 'Q', 'B', 'G', and 'S';</p> <p>c) the working group shall also consider any Resolution related to or affected by purpose- of-transaction codes, to ensure coherent interpretation; and</p> <p>d) the working group shall submit a report and any recommendations for amendments to Resolution Conf. 12.3 (Rev. CoP19) on Permits and certificates, or to any revision thereof, and recommendations for amendments to any other Resolution identified under paragraph c) above to the 82nd meeting of the Standing Committee, which shall report, with its recommendations, at the 21st meeting of the Conference of the Parties.</p>
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20.ESIT1	Parties	Electronic systems and information technology	<p>Parties are invited to:</p> <p>a)use the eCITES Implementation Framework, the latest edition of the CITES electronic permitting toolkit, Guidelines and specifications for Electronic Permit Information eXchange (EPIX) of CITES permits and certificates, and the Guidance on CITES electronic signatures, and the Guidelines on the use of two-dimensional (2D) barcodes on CITES permits/certificates in planning and implementing electronic CITES systems;</p> <p>b)consider the implementation of electronic CITES systems in a manner designed to meet CITES requirements, including those provided in Resolution Conf. 12.3 (Rev. CoP19) on Permits and certificates to increase transparency and efficiency of the permit issuance and control process, to prevent use of fraudulent permits, and to provide quality data for reporting and improved sustainability assessment;</p> <p>c)work with the customs, National Plant Protection Organizations (NPPOs) and other relevant agencies to ensure that trade in CITES-listed specimens is in compliance with CITES requirements and, where appropriate, in line with, or integrated into, other relevant national cross-border trade systems and procedures;</p> <p>d)share experience, challenges and know-how with other Parties on the development and implementation of electronic CITES permit management systems and use of the electronic equivalent of paper-based permits and certificates, and provide inputs to the Secretariat for continuous improvement of eCITES reference materials;</p> <p>e)take note of the eCITES BaseSolution as an automated permit management system option that is now available to Parties for implementation;</p> <p>f)call upon donor countries and agencies to provide financial support towards the implementation of electronic CITES permit management systems in developing countries;</p> <p>g)submit to the Secretariat information on the use of HS codes for risk-based control procedures;</p> <p>h)maintain reliable back-up systems for ensuring continuity of electronic permits systems;</p> <p>i)plan the electronic permitting system in a holistic manner considering the interoperability and integration between the CITES systems and other national, regional or global solutions, as appropriate; in particular explore opportunities for integrating National Single Windows systems in their respective countries;</p>
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20.ESIT2	Standing Committee, in consultation with the Secretariat	Electronic systems and information technology	<p>The Standing Committee shall, in consultation with the Secretariat, undertake the following tasks:</p> <p>a)work with relevant partners and Parties on the further development of standards and solutions for Electronic Permit Information eXchange (EPIX) for the exchange of CITES permit and certificate data and the improvement of the validation of CITES permit data by CITES Management Authorities and customs officials;</p> <p>b)recognizing the importance of the requirement for endorsement of permits and certificates at export, monitor Parties' pilot projects on possible alternatives to the physical endorsement of CITES permits/certificates based on the Guidelines on the use of 2D barcodes on CITES permits/certificates;</p> <p>c)monitor and advise on Parties' work related to the development of traceability systems for specimens of CITES-listed species to facilitate their harmonization with CITES permits and certificates;</p> <p>d)continue to monitor the use of HS codes in implementing risk-based control procedures in different Parties;</p> <p>e)support building capacity of Management Authorities, especially those with the greatest needs, in line with the guidance developed, to electronically collect, secure, maintain, and transmit data, using e-permitting systems compatible with the technical specifications of the Secretariat and other Management Authorities;</p> <p>f) consider ways in which electronic CITES permitting systems can simplify procedures for the non-commercial movement of musical instruments; and</p> <p>g)submit reports on activities undertaken under paragraphs a) to g) of the present Decision and make recommendations to the Conference of the Parties at its 21st meeting, as appropriate.</p>
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20.ESIT3	Secretariat	Electronic systems and information technology	<p>Subject to the availability of extrabudgetary resources, the Secretariat shall:</p> <p>a) finalize the study on the information used by different Parties in a risk-based approach for CITES trade controls;</p> <p>b) collect information from Parties on any issues encountered with regard to the application of national data protection laws that affect implementation of Electronic Permit Information eXchange (EPIX) for the exchange of CITES permits and certificates;</p> <p>c) support the work of the Standing Committee under Decision 20.BB through the organization of workshops, consultations, preparation of studies and guidance materials on relevant topics as identified by the Standing Committee;</p> <p>d) provide capacity-building and advisory services including feasibility studies to support Parties interested in implementing electronic solutions for the management and control of CITES permits and certificates and support Parties in establishing electronic permit systems and information exchanges;</p> <p>e) work with the United Nations Centre for Trade Facilitation and Electronic Business (UN/CEFACT), the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE), the International Trade Centre (ITC), the World Bank, the World Customs Organization (WCO), the World Trade Organization (WTO), the Secretariat of the International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC), and other relevant partners, to continue the exchange of information and the development and implementation of joint projects that would facilitate Parties' access to advance the implementation of the electronic permitting systems that comply with CITES requirements and where appropriate are aligned with international trade standards and norms;</p> <p>f) continue to exchange information with relevant partners and participate in relevant fora for contributing to the use of HS codes in implementing risk-based control procedures.</p> <p>g) in accordance with the Guidelines on the use of 2D barcodes on CITES permits/certificates, continue to work with Parties and relevant partners to advance the use of 2D bar codes, in particular with the view of ensuring security aspects to prevent fraudulent use of electronic permits and certificates and developing standards for their use; and</p> <p>h) report to the Standing Committee on the activities undertaken under paragraph a) to f) of the present Decision.</p>
19.153	Parties	Risk assessment and analysis for border control of CITES-listed species	Where this has not yet been done, Parties are encouraged to undertake risk assessments to develop risk profiles specific to CITES-listed specimens frequently exported and imported by the Party, and to reach out to the World Customs Organization for support in this regard, where needed.
19.154	Secretariat	Risk assessment and analysis for border control of CITES-listed species	The Secretariat shall, subject to available resources, work with the World Customs Organization and other partners to develop guidance, including a specific guidance for a risk-based analysis related to the process of analysis and inspection under CITES permit issuing systems, and elements for a national policy on physical inspections and present its report and recommendations to the Standing Committee.
19.155	Standing Committee	Risk assessment and analysis for border control of CITES-listed species	The Standing Committee shall consider the report of the Secretariat and endorse any guidance, as appropriate.
20.StockpileMgt1	Parties	Management of stockpiles	Parties are encouraged to inform the Secretariat if they need training support in managing and securing their stockpiles of CITES-listed specimens.
20.StockpileMgt2	Secretariat	Management of stockpiles	<p>Subject to extrabudgetary resources and upon request, the Secretariat shall:</p> <p>a) provide training support to Parties for the secure management of stockpiles of CITES-listed specimens; and</p> <p>b) inform the Standing Committee of any lessons learned on stockpile management, as appropriate.</p>

20.Rapid Mvt1	Secretariat	Rapid movement of wildlife diagnostic samples and musical instruments	<p>The Secretariat shall:</p> <p>a) issue a Notification to the Parties, requesting that Parties:</p> <p>i) describe their individual implementation arrangements (including relevant website links) for existing exemptions and simplified procedures for the rapid movement of wildlife samples for diagnostic and/or conservation purposes, and the rapid non-commercial movement of musical instruments for purposes of performance, display or competition;</p> <p>ii) identify and describe any specific challenges facing Parties in implementing the existing exemptions and rapid movement arrangements available to them under Resolution Conf. 11.15 (Rev. CoP18) on Non-commercial loan, donation or exchange of museum, herbarium, diagnostic and forensic research specimens, Resolution Conf. 12.3 (Rev. CoP19) on Permits and certificates and Resolution Conf. 16.8 (Rev. CoP17) on Frequent cross-border non-commercial movements of musical instruments;</p> <p>iii) advise, for Parties that are not implementing the existing exemptions and rapid movement arrangements, why that is the case;</p> <p>iv) consider providing updated or more detailed information on registered scientists and scientific institutions for inclusion in the Register of scientific institutions published on the CITES website in advance of the 5-yearly request by the Secretariat called for under Resolution Conf. 11.15 (Rev. CoP18); and</p> <p>v) invite other affected stakeholders to comment on specific challenges faced when trying to access or utilise existing implementation arrangements.</p> <p>b) make the results available to the Standing Committee for their information and consideration in undertaking Decision 20 DD.</p>
20.Rapid Mvt2	Secretariat	Rapid movement of wildlife diagnostic samples and musical instruments	<p>The Secretariat shall, taking into account the responses received to the Notification issued under Decision 20.AA, develop for publication on the CITES website</p> <p>a) a new 'rapid movement of wildlife samples for diagnostic and/or conservation purposes' webpage to bring together information on relevant exemptions and special trade provisions for the rapid movement of wildlife samples, including the scientific exchange arrangements under Resolution Conf 11.15 (Rev. CoP18) and the simplified procedures under Resolution Conf. 12.3 (Rev. CoP19), and including hyperlinks to relevant Resolutions, meeting documents and guidance materials.</p> <p>b) a register of individual Parties' existing rapid wildlife sample movement arrangements and links to further information.</p> <p>c) a new 'rapid non-commercial movement of musical instruments for purposes of performance, display or competition' webpage to bring together information on relevant exemptions and special trade provisions for the rapid movement of musical instruments, including the arrangements under Resolution Conf. 16.8 (Rev. CoP17), musical instrument certificates and travelling exhibition certificates, and personal and household effects arrangements, and including hyperlinks to relevant Resolutions, meeting documents and guidance materials.</p> <p>d) a register of individual Parties' existing rapid musical instrument movement arrangements and links to further information.</p>
20.Rapid Mvt3	Secretariat	Rapid movement of wildlife diagnostic samples and musical instruments	<p>The Secretariat shall, subject to external funding and in consultation with Parties and stakeholders, develop 'one-page' or simplified guidance materials on the rapid movement of wildlife samples for diagnostic and/or conservation purposes, and the rapid non-commercial movement of musical instruments for purposes of performance, display or competition, for review, appropriate amendment and endorsement by the Standing Committee.</p>

20.Rapid Mvt4	Standing Committee	Rapid movement of wildlife diagnostic samples and musical instruments	The Standing Committee shall: a)review the report of the Secretariat on the implementation of Decision 20.AA; and b)review the 'one-page' or simplified guidance materials on the rapid movement of wildlife samples and of musical instruments prepared under Decision 20.CC, agree appropriate amendments, and request publication of endorsed guidance on the relevant CITES webpage.
19.161_ (Rev. CoP20)	Standing Committee, in close collaboration with the Animals and Plants Committees	Specimens produced through biotechnology	The Standing Committee, in close collaboration with the Animals and Plants Committees, shall: a)continue to discuss trade in products of biotechnology, which might potentially affect international trade in CITES-listed specimens in a way that would threaten their survival, including enforcement of CITES provisions. The Committee's discussion shall consider the need for new guidance material or updates to existing guidance material on the following issues, in relation to trade in specimens produced through biotechnology: i) whether an update is needed in the Guidance on the use of the scientific exchange exemption and the simplified procedures to issue permits and certificates, endorsed by the Standing Committee at SC73 (online, May 2021), to include a section on specimens produced through biotechnology; ii)whether there is a need for additional guidance on making legal acquisition findings in relation to specimens produced through biotechnology; iii)whether there is a need for guidance on the application of source codes to specimens produced through biotechnology; iv)whether guidance is needed to improve permitting and enforcement of trade in specimens produced through biotechnology in order to address the risk of natural specimens of illegal origin being passed as synthetic and thereby entering the market with a valid CITES permit; v)whether guidance is needed on traceability issues to improve permitting and enforcement of trade in specimens produced through biotechnology in order to ensure a clear link (e.g., marking, other means of identification) between a specimen produced through biotechnology and CITES documentation in order to prevent misuse; vi)whether biotechnology issues concerning animals and plants should be addressed distinctly; and vii)any emerging issues or cases not considered in the document AC31 Doc. 17/PC25 Doc. 20, such as hirudin and squalene; b)communicate to the Animals and Plants Committees any matters that may require scientific advice and guidance, as appropriate; and c)make recommendations for consideration at the 20th 21st meeting of the Conference of the Parties, including
19.162 (Rev. CoP20)	Animals and Plants Committees	Specimens produced through biotechnology	The Animals and Plants Committees shall inform implementation of Decision 19.161 (Rev. CoP20) and provide any relevant scientific advice and guidance on matters relevant to international trade in specimens produced through biotechnology and communicate it to the Standing Committee, as appropriate.

19.163 (Rev. CoP20)	Secretariat	Specimens produced through biotechnology	Subject to the availability of external funds, the Secretariat shall convene and organize a meeting to facilitate the discussions mentioned in Decision 19.161 (Rev. CoP20) and develop guidance on the implementation of the amendment to Resolution Conf. 9.6 (Rev. CoP19) on Trade in readily recognizable parts and derivatives. The Secretariat shall extend invitations to concerned Parties as well as relevant entities, including the Biological Weapons Convention (BWC), the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN), the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), the World Health Organization (WHO) and other relevant organizations as appropriate.
19.164 (Rev. CoP20)	Secretariat	Definition of the term 'appropriate and acceptable destinations'	The Secretariat shall: a) issue a Notification to the Parties within one year of the close of the 19th <u>20th</u> meeting of the Conference of the Parties, inviting feedback on experience with using the guidance documents and other information provided on the CITES webpage "Appropriate and acceptable destinations", and b) report on this feedback to the Animals Committee and the Standing Committee for their consideration and recommendations, as appropriate.
19.165 (Rev. CoP20)	Animals Committee	Definition of the term 'appropriate and acceptable destinations'	The Animals Committee shall review the report from the Secretariat on feedback from Parties called for in Decision 19.164 (Rev. CoP20) and make recommendations, as appropriate, for consideration by the Standing Committee.
19.166 (Rev. CoP20)	Standing Committee	Definition of the term 'appropriate and acceptable destinations'	The Standing Committee shall review the report from the Secretariat and any comments and recommendations coming from the Animals Committee on feedback from Parties called for in Decision 19.164 (Rev. CoP20) and make recommendations, as appropriate, for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its 20th <u>21st</u> meeting.
20.SustFinanceElephant1	Secretariat, in consultation with the African elephant range States and the Chair of the Standing Committee	Sustainable financing for the conservation and management of African elephants	Subject to the availability of external funds, the Secretariat, in consultation with the African elephant range States and the Chair of the Standing Committee, shall: a) develop the terms of reference and mobilise funding for engaging a consultant to consolidate the background technical information for the purpose of convening a technical workshop [see paragraph b) below]; b) convene a technical workshop for African elephant range States to consider mechanisms for the sustainable management of elephants and ivory stockpiles, including the non-commercial disposal of ivory stockpiles and other means, for the purpose of mobilising the needed resources to support the conservation and management of elephants; and c) report the results of the workshop, including any recommendations, to the Standing Committee.
20.SustFinanceElephant2	African elephant range States	Sustainable financing for the conservation and management of African elephants	African elephant range States are invited to provide the necessary background information needed for the workshop.
20.SustFinanceElephant3	All Parties	Sustainable financing for the conservation and management of African elephants	All Parties are encouraged to report the status of stockpiles as of December 2024 pursuant to Resolution Conf. 10.10 (Rev. CoP19) to facilitate the development of mechanisms for the sustainable management of elephants and ivory stockpiles.
20.SustFinanceElephant4	Standing Committee	Sustainable financing for the conservation and management of African elephants	The Standing Committee shall consider the results of the technical workshop for African elephant range States to consider mechanisms for the sustainable management of elephants and ivory stockpiles, including any recommendations, and propose a way forward to the 21st meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

20.SustFinanceElephant5	Parties, governmental organizations, intergovernmental, non-governmental donors and other entities	Sustainable financing for the conservation and management of African elephants	Parties, governmental organizations, intergovernmental, non-governmental donors and other entities are invited to provide the necessary financial support to implement Decision 20.AA.
19.169	Secretariat	Disposal of confiscated specimens	The Secretariat shall: a) continue to collect information on existing networks and resources on the management of seized and confiscated live animals and make it available to Parties on the CITES website; b) subject to the availability external funding, develop and make available materials that may assist Parties in implementing Annex 3 to Resolution Conf. 17.8 (Rev. CoP19) on Disposal of illegally traded and confiscated specimens of CITES-listed species, as needed; and c) report to the Standing Committee on the implementation of this Decision.
19.171	Parties and relevant stakeholders	Disposal of confiscated specimens	Parties and relevant stakeholders that have not already done so are invited to share with the Secretariat information on existing networks and resources on the management of seized and confiscated live animals in place in their country, including any action plans, protocols, regulatory measures, standard operating procedures developed to coordinate actions among public authorities, and guidelines for the management of specific species or genera.
19.173	Standing Committee	Disposal of confiscated specimens	The Standing Committee shall consider the report submitted by the Secretariat under Decision 19.169 and make recommendations, as appropriate.
19.177_ (Rev. CoP20)	Animals Committee	Trade in stony corals (Scleractinia spp.)	The Animals Committee shall: a) taking into account document CoP19 Doc. 46 and its Annex, provide advice on possible amendments to Resolution Conf 11.10 (Rev. CoP15) on Trade in stony corals, in consultation with coral reef nations and coral reef experts, and report with recommendations to the Standing Committee; ab) taking into account the progress made at AC33, make further recommendations, as necessary, to revise the Guidelines for the preparation and submission of CITES annual reports and Guidelines for the preparation and submission of the CITES annual illegal trade report, to ensure that they provide sufficient clarity on the use of appropriate terms and units for trade in stony corals; and be) consider the information in the Annex to document AC33 Doc. 24 and in consultation with coral reef nations and coral reef experts, provide advice on the conversion factors used to analyse trade in corals for the CITES Review of Significant Trade process and report to the 21st 20th meeting of the Conference of the Parties.
19.178 (Rev. CoP20)	Standing Committee	Trade in stony corals (Scleractinia spp.)	The Standing Committee shall: a) review any proposed amendments to Resolution Conf. 11.10 (Rev. CoP15) on Trade in stony corals from the Animals Committee; and b) review any recommendations from the Animals Committee with regard to Decision 19.177 (Rev. CoP20), paragraph ab), and make its own recommendations, as appropriate.

20.NotWil d1	Secretariat	Review of CITES provisions related to trade in specimens of animals and plants not of wild source	<p>Subject to the availability of extrabudgetary resources and taking into consideration documents SC74 Doc. 56, PC27 Doc. 21 / AC33 Doc. 25 (Rev. 1), SC78 Doc. 62, Resolution Conf. 10.16 (Rev. CoP19) on Specimens of animal species bred in captivity, Resolution Conf. 12.10 (Rev. CoP15) on Registration of operations that breed Appendix-I animal species in captivity for commercial purposes, as well as any other Resolutions concerning provisions on trade in specimens of both CITES-listed animals and plants not of wild source, and relevant committee reports, the Secretariat shall:</p> <p>a)consult the Chairs of the Standing Committee and the Animals and Plants Committees and develop specific terms of reference and a modus operandi for a technical workshop on the review of trade in specimens of both CITES-listed animal and plants not of wild source in order to address the following:</p> <p>i)possible amendments to Resolution Conf. 10.16 (Rev. CoP19) and Resolution Conf. 12.10 (Rev. CoP19), as well as any amendment to other Resolutions concerning provisions on trade in specimens of both CITES-listed animals and plants not of wild source, taking into account findings and suggestions in document SC74 Doc. 56 and any related comments and recommendations from the Standing Committee, Parties, the Secretariat or other stakeholders;</p> <p>ii)review issues and challenges in the application of the Convention for trade in non-wild specimens of both CITES-listed animal and plant species, in particular key elements that may contribute to the uneven application of Article VII, paragraphs 4 and 5, and consider the scientific advice and guidance from the Animals and Plants Committees in document PC27 Doc. 21 / AC33 Doc. 25 (Rev. 1) and the summary records of the meetings on the need for implementing these Articles differently for either animal specimens from species bred in captivity or plant specimens that are artificially propagated; and</p> <p>iii)develop draft recommendations for addressing these issues and challenges, including draft amendments to existing Resolutions or development of a new Resolution or Decisions to address these issues and challenges, for consideration by the Standing Committee;</p> <p>b)prepare workshop documents and organize the technical workshop taking into consideration regional and gender representation; and</p> <p>c)submit findings and recommendations of this workshop to the Standing Committee for their consideration.</p>
20.NotWil d2	Standing Committee	Review of CITES provisions related to trade in specimens of animals and plants not of wild source	The Standing Committee shall consider the report of the workshop referred to in Decision 20.AA and submit recommendations to the 21st meeting of the Conference of the Parties.
20.Extinct Risk1	Parties	Identifying information on species at risk of extinction affected by international trade	<p>Parties are invited to:</p> <p>a)submit information for inclusion on the dedicated page described in Decision 20.BB paragraph b) relating to methodologies, information or analyses on species or other taxonomic groups at risk of extinction that are or may be threatened by international trade, plus their look-alikes; and</p> <p>b)recognise and prioritise the best available scientific data and technical information, including peer-reviewed materials or publications, government reports or reports from other official bodies and relevant stakeholders and state whether the information has been peer-reviewed. Parties are encouraged to consider utilising the IPBES four-box model for the qualitative communication of confidence or other appropriate methods where possible.</p>

20.Extinct Risk2	Secretariat	Identifying information on species at risk of extinction affected by international trade	<p>The Secretariat shall, subject to external resources:</p> <p>a)update and expand the materials in the Virtual College relating to the preparation and submission of proposals to amend the CITES Appendices.</p> <p>b)develop a dedicated page with a link to a restricted section on the CITES website accessible to Parties to make the following information submitted by Parties, by non-Party observers through Parties, and by the United Nations and its specialized agencies through either a Party or the Secretariat available to Parties:</p> <p>i)methodologies used for identifying and / or selecting species at risk of extinction that might merit consideration to be included in the CITES Appendices;</p> <p>ii)information or analyses on the status of species (or other taxonomic groups) not yet included in the Appendices which might merit such an inclusion; and</p> <p>iii)information in regards Resolution Conf. 9.24 (Rev. CoP17), specifically in Annex 2.b, on species (or other taxonomic groups) that may be considered as look-alikes of taxa referenced in paragraph b)ii.</p> <p>c)update the page described in paragraph b) with information:</p> <p>i)provided by Parties, including the name of the Party(s) that submitted the information and the date of submission; and</p> <p>ii)derived from activities implemented by the Secretariat based on Decisions adopted by the Conference of the Parties.</p> <p>d)assess the feasibility of developing a functionality for Parties to upload material directly to the page described in paragraph b).</p>
20.Extinct Risk3	Intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and other experts	Identifying information on species at risk of extinction affected by international trade	Intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and other experts are invited to work with Parties to identify, develop or submit the information referred to in Decision 20.AA.
20.Extinct Risk4	Standing Committee, in consultation with the Animals and Plants Committees	Identifying information on species at risk of extinction affected by international trade	<p>The Standing Committee, in consultation with the Animals and Plants Committees, is requested to:</p> <p>a)review the implementation and effectiveness of Decisions 20.AA to 20.CC;</p> <p>b)consider any other actions or mechanisms that may be necessary to identify species at risk of extinction that are or may be threatened by international trade and develop listing proposals; and</p> <p>c)provide any recommendations relating to paragraphs a) and b) to the 21st meeting of the Conference of the Parties for consideration.</p>
20.Markings1	Secretariat	Review of Resolution 8.13 (Rev. CoP17) on the “Use of coded-microchip implants for marking live animals in trade”	<p>The Secretariat shall,</p> <p>a)prepare an overview of all currently valid Resolutions dealing with the issue of marking; and</p> <p>b)in collaboration with the ISO Secretariat and relevant experts, develop guidance on the various issues in relation to marking as outlined in Resolution Conf. 8.13 (Rev. CoP17) and document AC33 Doc. 21.</p>

20.Markin gs2	Animals Committee	Review of Resolution 8.13 (Rev. CoP17) on the “Use of coded-microchip implants for marking live animals in trade”	The Animals Committee shall: a)consider the overview and draft guidance developed by the Secretariat under Decision 20.AA and determine whether Resolution Conf. 8.13 (Rev CoP17) and other relevant Resolutions should be amended or if a new Resolution or other technical guidance on marking techniques and standards is required, and b)submit its recommendations, including possible amendments to existing Resolutions or a new draft resolution to the Standing Committee for its consideration.
20.Markin gs3	Standing Committee	Review of Resolution 8.13 (Rev. CoP17) on the “Use of coded-microchip implants for marking live animals in trade”	The Standing Committee shall: a)consider the overview and draft guidance developed by the Secretariat under Decision 20.AA and the recommendations from the Animals Committee under Decision 20.BB; and b)submit the results of this work along with its own recommendations for consideration of the Conference of the Parties at its 21st meeting (CoP21).
19.192 (Rev. CoP20)	West African range States (Benin, Burkina Faso, Cabo Verde, Côte d’Ivoire, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Liberia, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal, Sierra Leone and Togo)	West African vultures (Accipitridae spp.)	West African range States for <i>Gyps africanus</i> (Whitebacked vulture), <i>Gyps fulvus</i> (Griffon vulture), <i>Gyps rueppelli</i> (Rüppell’s vulture), <i>Necrosyrtes monachus</i> (Hooded vulture), <i>Neophron percnopterus</i> (Egyptian vulture), <i>Torgos tracheliotos</i> (Lappet-faced vulture), and <i>Trigonoceps occipitalis</i> (White-headed vulture) are urged to: a)integrate illegal vulture trade considerations into their implementation of the West Africa Strategy on Combatting Wildlife Crime (WASCWC) and any decisions relating to Wildlife crime enforcement support in West and Central Africa adopted by the Conference of the Parties at its 10th meeting; ab) ensure that national laws to protect vultures and control trade in vulture parts and derivatives are effectively implemented, and ensure that penalties for non-compliance are sufficient to deter illegal trade; be) ensure that any international trade in West African vultures is not allowed except in accordance with CITES requirements, and if international trade is found not to be in accordance with CITES requirements, consider implementing a zero export quota; cd) follow Resolution Conf. 16.7 (Rev. CoP17) on Non-detriment findings, and, in cases where there is an interest in exporting globally threatened vulture species, consider submitting non-detriment findings for the export of vulture specimens to the Secretariat for inclusion on the CITES website and review by the Animals Committee; de) <u>prioritize implementation of the identify any trade-related issues associated with the <u>West Africa Vulture Conservation Action Plan</u>, the regional implementation of the Multi-species Action Plan to Conserve African-Eurasian Vultures (Vulture MsAP) 2017-2029 of the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS);</u> ef) work with relevant experts and organizations for implementing demand reduction strategies for vultures and their parts and derivatives including for belief-based use and consumption and, where appropriate, expand the implementation of strategies that have been successful; fg) work with relevant organizations to initiate wide-scale public awareness campaigns at regional, national and local levels about the impacts of trade in these species, including the importance of vulture species to ecology and human health, the negative impacts of belief-based use of vulture body parts, and existing national and international legislation that protects vultures: and

<p>19.193 (Rev. CoP20)</p>	<p>Parties, West African range States and relevant intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations</p>	<p>West African vultures (Accipitridae spp.)</p>	<p>Parties, West African range States and relevant intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations are encouraged, subject to resources, to:</p> <p>a) collaborate in the conservation and restoration of West African vultures and support the implementation of the <u>West African Vulture Conservation Action Plan</u>, the regional implementation of the Multi-species Action Plan to Conserve African-Eurasian Vultures (Vulture MsAP) 2017-2029 of the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS), <u>taking into consideration the findings of the midterm implementation review of the MsAP</u>; and</p> <p>b) gather and exchange scientific knowledge and expertise on West African vultures, with a particular focus on:</p> <p>i) documenting the scale of vulture trade by surveying markets in and outside West Africa, and identifying inter-regional and international trade routes;</p> <p>ii) characterizing links between poisoning and trade in vultures, and contributing to the African Wildlife Poison Database; and</p> <p>iii) updating the conservation and population status information of West African vultures, and <i>Gyps africanus</i> (white-backed vultures), <i>Gyps rueppellii</i> (Rüppell's vultures) and <i>Torgos tracheliotus</i> (lappet-faced vultures) in particular;</p> <p>c) <u>provide information to the Secretariat on the implementation of this Decision well in advance of the 34th meeting of the Animals Committee and the 81st meeting of the Standing Committee to assist it in its reporting to the Committees.</u></p>
<p>19.194 (Rev. CoP20)</p>	<p>Secretariat</p>	<p>West African vultures (Accipitridae spp.)</p>	<p>The Secretariat shall:</p> <p>a) cooperate with the International Consortium on Combating Wildlife Crime (ICWC) partner organizations, regional and subregional wildlife enforcement networks, and competent national authorities, where relevant and feasible, to consider vultures in the context of ICWC's enforcement and capacity-building efforts in West Africa;</p> <p><u>ab) subject to external funding, support the production of identification materials focusing on parts and derivatives of vulture species for use by law enforcement officials;</u></p> <p>e) liaise with the Secretariat of the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS) to assist in the implementation of the trade-related aspects of the Multi-species Action Plan to Conserve African-Eurasian Vultures (Vulture MsAP) 2017-2020 subject to external funding, and share information based on the work of the Animals Committee;</p> <p><u>be) subject to external funding and upon request from Parties, liaise with the Secretariat of the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species (CMS) to support the implementation of capacity-building activities aimed at providing support to the West African range States in implementing the trade-related aspects of the <u>West Africa Vulture Conservation Action Plan</u> Vulture MsAP;</u></p> <p>e) in collaboration with the CMS Secretariat, consider available trade data and conservation status information from the whole geographic range of the vulture species concerned for inclusion in its reporting to the Animals and Standing Committees; and</p> <p>f) collect information from West African vulture range States on their implementation of Decision 19.192 (Rev. CoP20), and report as appropriate this and other information on the implementation of Decisions 19.192 (Rev. CoP20) to 19.194 (Rev. CoP20), paragraphs a), b), c), d) and e) to the Animals Committee and Standing Committee, at their first regular meetings following the 19th-20th meeting of the Conference of the Parties with conclusions and recommendations for their consideration.</p>

19.195_ (Rev. CoP20)	Animals Committee	West African vultures (Accipitridae spp.)	The Animals Committee shall: a) encourage West African range States to undertake a Periodic Review of the vulture species referred to in Decision 19.192 pursuant to Resolution Conf. 14.8 (Rev. CoP19) on Periodic Review of species included in Appendices I and II, taking note of the offer of the Vulture Specialist Group of the International Union for Conservation of Nature to assist range States in such an effort; a b) consider any reports or requests for advice submitted by Parties with respect to the making of non-detriment findings for trade in CITES-listed West African vulture species; b e) consider the reports and recommendations of the Secretariat submitted in accordance with Decision 19.194 (Rev. CoP20), paragraph e ; and c d) make recommendations as appropriate for consideration by range States, Parties, the Standing Committee and the Secretariat.
19.196 (Rev. CoP20)	Standing Committee	West African vultures (Accipitridae spp.)	The Standing Committee shall review the implementation of Decisions 19.192 (Rev. CoP20) to 19.195 (Rev. CoP20) and make recommendations as appropriate to West African vulture range States, Parties and the Secretariat, and for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its 20th 21st meeting.
20.Amphibians1	Parties	Conservation of amphibians (Amphibia spp.)	Parties are invited to: a) collect information on the priority species identified in the revised species prioritization matrix for amphibians, with a particular emphasis on CITES-listed species, concerning: i) national legislation protecting those species, including legislation covering the protection of amphibian habitats; ii) current levels of trade; iii) harvesting levels of amphibians subject to high volumes of international trade; and iv) captive breeding; and b) provide the information to the Secretariat, as appropriate; and c) implement biosecurity protocols, including those identified in paragraph 29 b) of document AC33 Doc. 32.
20.Amphibians2	Secretariat, in close consultation with the Animals Committee and relevant experts	Conservation of amphibians (Amphibia spp.)	Taking into account document AC33 Doc. 32, the Secretariat shall, subject to availability of external funding, and in close consultation with the Animals Committee and relevant experts, a) update the revised species prioritization matrix with information on CITES-listed species from Parties under Decision 20.AA and make this information available to Parties; b) develop a table of conversion factors for CITES-listed amphibian specimens in trade; c) identify existing identification materials for amphibians, particularly those for use by customs and law enforcement officers, in view of the sensitivity of amphibians to being handled and the way in which they are packaged; and d) report its findings, with draft recommendations to the Animals Committee.
20.Amphibians3	Animals Committee	Conservation of amphibians (Amphibia spp.)	The Animals Committee shall: a) consider the report submitted by the Secretariat as per Decision 20.BB; and b) make recommendations to the 21st meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

20.Pangolins1	Secretariat	Pangolins (Manis spp.)	The Secretariat shall, subject to external funding, work with the Species Survival Commission Pangolin Specialist Group of the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) and other relevant experts and in collaboration with the pangolin range States to further develop conversion parameters for all pangolin species, in particular <i>M. culionensis</i> , <i>M. crassicaudata</i> and <i>M. teminckii</i> , taking into account document AC33 Doc. 35. These conversion parameters should enable the reliable determination of the number of animals associated with any quantity of pangolin scales seized, that can be used by Parties in cases where national legislation demands that such information be provided for court purposes.
20.Pangolins2	Animals Committee	Pangolins (Manis spp.)	The Animals Committee shall: a) review the conversion parameters for all pangolin species, developed in accordance with the provisions of Decision 20.AA, to enable the reliable determination of the number of animals associated with any quantity of pangolin scales seized, and that can be used by Parties in cases where national legislation demands that such information be provided for law enforcement and court purposes; and b) make recommendations as appropriate to the Parties and the Standing Committee.
20.Pangolins3	Parties and relevant stakeholders	Pangolins (Manis spp.)	Parties, intergovernmental organizations, non-governmental organizations are encouraged to support pangolin range States with resources, both financial and technical expertise, to implement in-situ pangolin conservation and management programmes developed in response to Decision 18.238.
19.203 (Rev. CoP20)	Secretariat	Pangolins (Manis spp.)	The Secretariat shall: a) issue a Notification inviting Parties, international organizations, international aid agencies and non-governmental organizations that developed tools and materials that could assist Parties in the implementation of Resolution Conf. 17.10 (Rev. CoP19) or identification materials concerning pangolin species, their parts and derivatives, to bring such materials to the attention of the Secretariat; b) bring any materials reported in accordance with paragraph a) of the present Decision to the attention of the Animals Committee or the Standing Committee, as appropriate, together with any recommendations it may have, and taking into account any subsequent recommendations from the Animals Committee or the Standing Committee, make such materials available to the Parties; a e) subject to external funding, provide training to Parties on the identification of pangolin specimens; b e) work with its partners in the International Consortium on Combating Wildlife Crime (ICWC) to initiate activities and support the efforts of Parties to address illegal trade in Pangolin specimens; <u>and</u> e) report on the implementation of Decisions 18.238 and 18.239 to the Animals Committee, together with any recommendations it may have; f) report on the implementation of Decision 19.202 to the Standing Committee, together with any recommendations it may have; and c e) report to the 20th 21st meeting of the Conference of the Parties on the implementation of the present Decision.

19.205 (Rev. CoP20)	Secretariat, in collaboration with African lion range States, the Convention on Migratory Species (CMS) and the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)	African lions (<i>Panthera leo</i>)	<p>Subject to external funding, the Secretariat shall, in collaboration with African lion range States, the Convention on Migratory Species (CMS) and the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) and, as appropriate, taking into consideration the joint CITES-CMS African Carnivores Initiative and the Guidelines for the Conservation of Lions in Africa in information document CoP18 Inf. 10:</p> <p>a) support the implementation of activities in joint African lion conservation plans and strategies that relate to trade in African lion specimens and the implementation of CITES and as needed, the review of such plans and strategies;</p> <p>b) jointly with the CMS Secretariat, undertake a comparative study of African lion population trends and conservation and management practices, such as lion hunting, within and between countries, including the role, if any, of international trade;</p> <p>c) support capacity-building in African lion conservation and management including where appropriate, in the making of non-detriment findings by range States according to Resolution Conf. 16.7 (Rev. CoP17) on Non-detriment findings and the implementation of Resolution Conf. 17.9 on Trade in hunting trophies of species listed in Appendix I or II, <u>taking into consideration the available guidance on the making of non-detriment findings;</u></p> <p>d) assist in maintaining a joint CITES-CMS web portal on African lions, that also allows for the posting and sharing of information and guidance on the conservation and management of African lions;</p> <p><u>de) share any relevant update of the Guidelines for the Conservation of Lions in Africa that relate to the Committee's mandate with the Animals Committee for its review; and</u></p> <p><u>ef) report on the implementation of the present Decision to the Animals Committee and the Standing Committee and to the Conference of the Parties at its 20th 21st meeting.</u></p>
19.206 (Rev. CoP20)	Animals Committee	African lions (<i>Panthera leo</i>)	<p>The Animals Committee shall:</p> <p>a) review any relevant update of the Guidelines for the Conservation of Lions in Africa <u>that relate to the Committee's mandate and that has been brought to the Committee's attention by the Secretariat;</u></p> <p>b) review the information reported by the Secretariat under Decision 19.205 (Rev. CoP20) and submit recommendations to the Secretariat, the Standing Committee and African lion range States, as appropriate.</p>
19.207 (Rev. CoP20)	Standing Committee	African lions (<i>Panthera leo</i>)	<p>The Standing Committee shall:</p> <p>a) review any reports received from the Secretariat and the Animals Committee under Decisions 19.205 (Rev. CoP20) and 19.206 (Rev. CoP20); and</p> <p>b) make recommendations to the Conference of the Parties, the Animals Committee, the Secretariat and/or African lion range States to improve the implementation of the Convention for African lions, as appropriate.</p>

19.208	Parties	African lions (<i>Panthera leo</i>)	Parties, including range States and consumer countries of African lion, as relevant, are encouraged to: a)increase enforcement efforts to detect illegal, unreported or misreported trade in specimens of African lion and other big cats; b)use, where appropriate, South Africa's Barcode of Wildlife Project to help identify lion specimens in trade and, when importing lion specimens from South Africa, collaborate where necessary with relevant authorities in South Africa to improve the traceability of such specimens; c)provide details on the observed and/or removed lion body parts in trade when collecting and communicating data on illegal killing and illegal trade in lions to CITES in their annual reports; and d)cooperate on lion conservation, including by sharing information on lion populations, illegal killing and illegal trade.
19.209 (Rev. CoP20)	Parties, governmental, intergovernmental, non-governmental organizations, donors and other entities	African lions (<i>Panthera leo</i>)	All Parties, governmental, intergovernmental, non-governmental organizations, donors and other entities are encouraged to support African lion range States and the Secretariat in their efforts to conserve and restore African lions across their range, taking into consideration the Guidelines for the Conservation of Lions in Africa, <u>the joint CITES-CMS African Carnivores Initiative and the outcomes of the CITES Big Cat Task Force meeting</u> , and the implementation of Decision 19.205 (Rev. CoP20) and 19.208 .
20.LionDB 1	Secretariat, in consultation with African lion range States	Support to the development of an African lion inventory and database	The Secretariat shall: a)subject to external funding, and in consultation with African lion range States, support the process as agreed by the ACI range States relating to the development of an inventory and of an African lion database (see Activities 11.2.1 and 11.4.1 in the PoW of the ACI and outcome 5.3 of the outcomes of the ACI2 meeting); and b)inform the Animals Committee regarding the development of an inventory and of an African lion database that relate to the Committee's mandate and seek its advice, as appropriate.
20.LionDB 2	Animals Committee	Support to the development of an African lion inventory and database	The Animals Committee shall advise the Secretariat, as appropriate, on aspects of the development of an African lion database that are relevant to the Animals Committee's mandate.
20.TradeKit Panthera 1	Parties	Development of trade resource kits for African lions (<i>Panthera leo</i>) and leopards (<i>Panthera pardus</i>)	Parties are encouraged to: a)share trade resource kits for African lion (<i>Panthera leo</i>) and leopard (<i>Panthera pardus</i>) with the Secretariat; and b)request the Secretariat to make these trade resource kits available to the Parties on the CITES website.

20.TradeKitPanthera2	Secretariat	Development of trade resource kits for African lions (<i>Panthera leo</i>) and leopards (<i>Panthera pardus</i>)	The Secretariat shall subject to external funding, a)review the trade resource kits for African lion (<i>Panthera leo</i>) and leopard (<i>Panthera pardus</i>) shared by Parties; b)identify gaps and develop trade resource materials for African lion (<i>Panthera leo</i>) and leopard (<i>Panthera pardus</i>) based on the gaps identified and taking into consideration lessons learnt from the development of the CITES Cheetah Trade Resource Kit. c)share trade resource kits developed by Parties on the CITES website, as appropriate. d)inform the Animals Committee, as appropriate, regarding the development of trade resource kits for African lion (<i>Panthera leo</i>) and leopard (<i>Panthera pardus</i>).
20.TradeKitPanthera3	Animals Committee	Development of trade resource kits for African lions (<i>Panthera leo</i>) and leopards (<i>Panthera pardus</i>)	The Animals Committee shall advise the Secretariat, as appropriate, on aspects of the development of trade resource kits and other guidance materials that are relevant to the Animals Committee's mandate.
19.211	Secretariat	Leopards (<i>Panthera pardus</i>) in Africa	The Secretariat shall share with the Animals Committee the Roadmap for the Conservation of the Leopard in Africa by the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) for its review.
19.212	Animals Committee	Leopards (<i>Panthera pardus</i>) in Africa	The Animals Committee shall review the Roadmap for the Conservation of the Leopard in Africa by IUCN, and make recommendations to the Standing Committee, as appropriate, concerning the aspects of it that relate to the implementation of CITES.
20.Eels1	Parties and relevant stakeholders	Eels (<i>Anguilla spp.</i>)	Parties and relevant stakeholders are invited to provide information to the Secretariat on the implementation of Resolution Conf. 20.XX on Trade, conservation and management of anguillid eel species (<i>Anguilla spp.</i>).
20.Eels2	Cuba, Egypt and Türkiye	Eels (<i>Anguilla spp.</i>)	Cuba, Egypt and Türkiye are requested to submit to the Secretariat up-to-date detailed information on trade in eels using the templates provided in Notification to the Parties No. 2021/018, to allow it to report to the Animals Committee and Standing Committee, as appropriate.
20.Eels3	Secretariat	Eels (<i>Anguilla spp.</i>)	The Secretariat shall: a) subject to extrabudgetary resources, develop a dedicated page on the CITES website to make relevant information on the trade and conservation of anguillid eel species or activities relating to the implementation of Resolution Conf. 20.XX on Trade, conservation and management of anguillid eel species (<i>Anguilla spp.</i>) provided by Parties or others, available; and b)bring any updated information received under Decision 20.BB and the results of activities under Resolution Conf. 20.XX on Trade, conservation and management of anguillid eel species (<i>Anguilla spp.</i>) to the attention of the Animals Committee or Standing Committee, with recommendations, as appropriate.
20.Eels4	Animals Committee	Eels (<i>Anguilla spp.</i>)	The Animals Committee shall: a)review the potential risks and benefits of reintroducing seized, live European eels to the wild; b)consider any information brought to its attention by the Secretariat under Decision 20.BB, paragraph b); and c)make recommendations for consideration by the Standing Committee or the 21st meeting of the Conference of the Parties, as appropriate.

20.Eels5	Standing Committee	Eels (<i>Anguilla</i> spp.)	The Standing Committee shall: a) review the comments and recommendations provided by the Animals Committee and the Secretariat under Decisions 20.AA to 20.DD; and b) prepare a report with any necessary recommendations for improving the implementation of the Convention for anguillid eels, including possible amendments to Resolution Conf. 20.XX on Trade, conservation and management of anguillid eel species (<i>Anguilla</i> spp), for consideration by the 21st meeting of the Conference of the Parties.
19.229 (Rev. CoP20)	Source, transit, and consumer Parties for which there is evidence of illegal and/or unsustainable international trade in dried seahorses	Seahorses (<i>Hippocampus</i> spp.)	To effectively implement effectively the inclusion of <u>regulation of international trade in seahorses in Appendix II of CITES</u> , source, transit, and consumer Parties for which there is evidence of illegal and/or unsustainable international trade in dried seahorses are encouraged to: a) collaborate with key stakeholders and species experts to develop national or regional plans of action to improve CITES <u>the implementation of CITES regulations</u> for seahorses and should include, <u>inter alia</u> , the following, inter alia : i) encouraging collaboration and communication between key stakeholders at a national and regional level, including Environment, Fisheries and Enforcement agencies, with respect to CITES implementation and data gathering for the international trade in seahorses; ii) improving monitoring, detection and law enforcement activities related to seahorses in coastal areas and at transaction points (e.g. in the marketplace, online, in maritime areas, and at air- and seaports); iii) submitting comprehensive and accurate information on illegal international trade in seahorses in their annual illegal trade reports to the Secretariat, as required in compliance with Resolution Conf. 11.17 (Rev. CoP19) on National reports, and in support of Decision 19.228, paragraph a) ; iv) addressing the main drivers of illegal and unsustainable trade by effectively regulating and constraining the operations of non-selective fishing gears, such as bottom trawls and gillnets, to reduce their impacts on seahorses, and combating illegal, unregulated and unreported (IUU) fishing of seahorses by developing best practices for sustainable harvest; and b) share progress in developing and implementing these national or regional plans of action with the Secretariat for its report to the 23rd meeting of the Animals Standing Committee .
19.230 (Rev. CoP20)	Parties, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations	Seahorses (<i>Hippocampus</i> spp.)	Parties, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations are encouraged to provide financial and technical assistance to Parties to implement Decision 19.229 (Rev. CoP20) and any further recommendations made by the Standing Committee.
20.Seahorses1	Secretariat	Seahorses (<i>Hippocampus</i> spp.)	Subject to external funding, the Secretariat shall create and publicize a webpage on seahorses on the CITES website as a repository for a wide range of materials to support CITES implementation for seahorses, including monitoring plans in support of adaptive management and any guidance developed by Parties and relevant stakeholders.
20.Seahorses2	Parties and relevant stakeholders	Seahorses (<i>Hippocampus</i> spp.)	Parties, intergovernmental organizations, non-governmental organizations, academic sector, industry and other stakeholders are invited to provide any relevant information to support CITES implementation for seahorses to be included by the Secretariat on the CITES seahorse webpage, as appropriate.

20.Seahor ses3	Parties	Seahorses (<i>Hippocampus spp.</i>)	Parties are encouraged to implement the recommendations contained in paragraphs 1 and 2 of AC33 Com. 4, in particular that in paragraph f) that invites Parties to develop monitoring programmes, such as fisheries monitoring programmes for fisheries that catch seahorses (including bycatch), to understand effectiveness of trade rules and any other relevant implementation and enforcement actions for the conservation and management of seahorses.
20.Seahor ses4	Secretariat	Seahorses (<i>Hippocampus spp.</i>)	The Secretariat shall: a)continue to work on and finalize the report on the global illegal trade in seahorses that includes an analysis of data from the CITES illegal trade database, illegal trade routes, modus operandi, seizures, information contained in the studies prepared by the Secretariat in previous intersessional periods and information received through consultations with Parties, species experts and regional enforcement networks as applicable; and b)make the report available to the Standing Committee together with any recommendations the Secretariat may have.
20.Seahor ses5	Standing Committee	Seahorses (<i>Hippocampus spp.</i>)	The Standing Committee shall: a)review the report and any recommendations presented to it in accordance with Decisions 20.AA and 19.229 (Rev. CoP20) and develop recommendations as appropriate, to strengthen CITES implementation and enforcement regarding international trade in seahorses; and b) report on the implementation of the Decisions on Seahorses (<i>Hippocampus spp.</i>) to the Conference of the Parties at its 21st meeting. /
19.233	Range States of <i>Strombus gigas</i>	Queen conch (<i>Strombus gigas</i>)	The range States of <i>Strombus gigas</i> are encouraged to: a) collaborate to implement the Regional Queen Conch Fisheries Management and Conservation Plan, and develop national Queen Conch Fisheries Management and Conservation Plans, as appropriate; b) continue to collect data on weight of <i>S. gigas</i> by processing grade in order to update and improve the regional conversion factors, and establish or update national conversion factors, taking into account the spatial variability and characteristics of the species; c) collaborate in developing and implementing joint research programmes at the sub- regional or regional level to support the making of non-detriment findings that take into account all fishing mortality, promote relevant research and capacity-building activities through regional fisheries management entities and mobilize financial resources for data collection; d) promote and collaborate in developing and implementing public education and awareness programmes regarding the conservation and sustainable use of <i>S. gigas</i> ; e) continue to collaborate in exploring ways to enhance the traceability of specimens of <i>S. gigas</i> in international trade, including, but not limited to, catch certificates, labelling systems and the application of genetic techniques, and consider sharing relevant experiences with the Secretariat, Parties and the Standing Committee, as appropriate, in the context of discussions on traceability systems for trade in CITES-listed species; f) collaborate on combatting illegal, unreported and unregulated (IUU) fishing activity; g)share relevant experiences on traceability systems for specimens of <i>Strombus gigas</i> ; h)share information concerning illegal trade in queen conch, including surveillance and enforcement activities, as appropriate; and i) provide progress reports on activities a) to h) to the CFMC/OSPESCA/WECAFC/CFRM/CITES working group on queen conch.

19.234	Secretariat	Queen conch (<i>Strombus gigas</i>)	<p>The Secretariat shall continue to collaborate with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the CFMC/OSPESCA/WECAFC/CRFM/CITES working group on queen conch, WECAFC, UNCTAD, OECS and other relevant international organizations, and, subject to external funding:</p> <p>a) provide assistance to range States of <i>S. gigas</i> in order to enhance the capacity of their CITES Management and Scientific Authorities, fisheries authorities and other stakeholders to implement the Regional Queen Conch Fisheries Management and Conservation Plan and national management plans and make scientifically robust non-detriment findings;</p> <p>b) provide assistance to range States of <i>S. gigas</i> on relevant enforcement issues and report new developments in this regard to the Standing Committee, as appropriate.</p> <p>c) monitor the development of traceability systems for queen conch and report relevant developments to the Standing Committee, as appropriate; and</p> <p>d) provide updates on relevant activities of the CFMC/OSPESCA/WECAFC/CRFM/CITES working group on queen conch to the Animals Committee and the Standing Committee, as appropriate.</p>
19.235	Animals Committee	Queen conch (<i>Strombus gigas</i>)	<p>The Animals Committee shall consider any reports from the Secretariat under Decision 19.234, paragraph c), and any other relevant available information and make recommendations for the conservation and management of queen conch for consideration by the Standing Committee, as appropriate.</p>
19.236	Standing Committee	Queen conch (<i>Strombus gigas</i>)	<p>The Standing Committee shall consider any reports from the Secretariat under Decision 19.234, paragraph c), and any recommendations coming from the Animals Committee and make its own recommendations to the Parties and to the Conference of the Parties to improve implementation of the Convention for queen conch, as appropriate.</p>
20.Rosewood1	Secretariat	Rosewood tree species [Leguminosae (Fabaceae)]	<p>The Secretariat shall:</p> <p>a) focus its capacity-building efforts for CITES-listed rosewood tree species on the 13 high priority and 14 medium priority species identified in the “Report on the conservation and trade of CITES-listed rosewood tree species [Leguminosae (Fabaceae)]” (see document PC27 Doc. 27, Annex 3), particularly as they relate to the implementation of Article IV of the Convention;</p> <p>b) issue a Notification to the Parties inviting feedback on the “Report on the conservation and trade of CITES-listed rosewood tree species [Leguminosae (Fabaceae)]” to assess which additional information or CITES-listed species could be added in a future revision of the report;</p> <p>c) subject to the availability of external funds and internal resources, and in close consultation with the Plants Committee, revise the “Report on the conservation and trade of CITES-listed rosewood tree species [Leguminosae (Fabaceae)]” by:</p> <p>i) reviewing or updating the prioritization exercise taking into account any new rosewood-tree species that may be included in the Appendices at the 20th meeting of the Conference of the Parties (CoP20);</p> <p>ii) reviewing, updating and, if appropriate, expanding the set of factsheets;</p> <p>iii) strengthening linkages with the Module on NDFs for tree species of the CITES Non-Detriment Findings Guidance (CITES Secretariat, 2024); and</p> <p>iv) considering amending the title of the report to consider the inclusion of CITES-listed tree species not in the family Leguminosae; and</p> <p>d) report on progress on the above to the Plants Committee.</p>

20.Rosewood2	Parties	Rosewood tree species [Leguminosae (Fabaceae)]	Parties are invited to: a)when developing non-detriment findings for CITES-listed rosewood tree species, consider using as a baseline reference the “Report on the conservation and trade of CITES-listed rosewood tree species [Leguminosae (Fabaceae)]” and its factsheets, in conjunction with the Module on NDFs for tree species of the CITES Non-Detriment Findings Guidance (CITES Secretariat, 2024); b)provide feedback and information to the Secretariat in support of its implementation of Decision 20.AA.
20.Rosewood3	Plants Committee	Rosewood tree species [Leguminosae (Fabaceae)]	The Plants Committee shall: a)consider and provide input on any report prepared by the Secretariat under Decision 20.AA; and b)report on the implementation of these Decisions to the Conference of the Parties.
20.TubOrchids1	Parties	Trade in edible tuberous orchids	Parties are encouraged to enhance their efforts to regulate the trade in edible tuberous orchids as required under the Convention and to combat illegal trade in edible tuberous orchids, in particular by raising awareness with relevant stakeholders, making non-detriment findings and legal acquisition findings for edible tuberous orchids, building enforcement capacity and enhancing cooperation across borders with a focus on combatting illegal trade in edible tuberous orchids, including modus operandi of trade networks, species identification and the development or update of risk profiles.

20.TubOrchids2	Secretariat	Trade in edible tuberous orchids	<p>The Secretariat shall:</p> <p>a)subject to availability of external resources, consult with Parties and stakeholders and undertake a study to compile an overview of Appendix-II orchid taxa that are particularly affected by wild harvest of Appendix-II listed orchid taxa for international trade to inform the following:</p> <p>i)the conservation impacts of exempting artificially propagated Appendix-II listed orchid taxa from CITES regulations, including as articulated in footnote annotation P3 of the CITES Appendices, including identification challenges and look-alike issues;</p> <p>ii)the conservation impacts of exempting derivatives and/or finished products of certain Appendix-II listed orchid taxa from CITES regulations through amendments to annotation #4; and</p> <p>b)present the study and formulate recommendations for consideration at the 28th meeting of the Plants Committee; and</p> <p>c)subject to external funding,</p> <p>i)compile identification tools and methods for specimens of edible tuberous orchids that are in international trade, as well as to distinguish look-alike specimens, and, in consultation with the Plants Committee, develop an identification guide to assist Parties in applying these;</p> <p>ii)identify implementation challenges and capacity needs of Parties to regulate international trade in Appendix-II listed edible tuberous orchids;</p> <p>iii)upon request, provide support to key exporting range States, and other key exporting States of edible tuberous orchids, to carry out non-detriment findings for edible tuberous orchids, in consultation with relevant Members of the Plants Committee;</p> <p>iv)upon request, support Parties with the implementation of Decision 20.AA, by including illegal trade in edible tuberous orchids in ongoing activities in the International Consortium on Combating Wildlife Crime, or through other appropriate means; and</p> <p>d)report its findings and recommendations to the Standing Committee.</p>
20.TubOrchids3	Plants Committee	Trade in edible tuberous orchids	<p>The Plants Committee shall:</p> <p>a)consider the report and the Secretariat's recommendations in response to Decision 20.BB, paragraph a);</p> <p>b)provide inputs to the Secretariat when developing an identification guide and when providing support to carry out non-detriment findings for edible tuberous orchids resulting from the implementation of Decision 20.BB, paragraph c) i) and iii); and</p> <p>c)report its recommendations to the Conference of the Parties, as appropriate.</p>
20.TubOrchids4	Standing Committee	Trade in edible tuberous orchids	<p>The Standing Committee shall:</p> <p>a)consider the report and the Secretariat's recommendations in response to Decision 20.BB, paragraph b); and</p> <p>b)report its recommendations to the Conference of the Parties, as appropriate.</p>

20.Paubrasilia1	Parties, in particular source, transit and destination Parties for Paubrasilia echinata	Brazil wood (Paubrasilia echinata)	Parties, in particular source, transit and destination Parties for Paubrasilia echinata are invited to, a)consider the findings of the report "Paubrasilia echinata bows: Fine Tuning Traceability Solutions" (CITES Secretariat, 202X); b)collaborate, as appropriate, with intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and entities to develop voluntary marking or identification systems for Paubrasilia echinata musical instruments to enhance traceability mechanisms for individual bows; c)establish a mechanism to register Paubrasilia echinata bow and wood stockpiles; and d)provide the Secretariat with information relating to the voluntary marking or identification systems developed for bows and the mechanism used to register Paubrasilia echinata bow and wood stockpiles.
20.Paubrasilia2	Brazil as the only range State of Paubrasilia echinata	Brazil wood (Paubrasilia echinata)	Brazil is invited to: a)consider the findings of the report "Paubrasilia echinata bows: Fine Tuning Traceability Solutions" (CITES Secretariat, 202X), and its linkages or implications for national policies, conservation strategies, and trade regulations; and b)assess information on plantation-grown Paubrasilia echinata stocks to meet current and future market demand for musical instruments, and share this information with the Secretariat.
20.Paubrasilia3	Secretariat	Brazil wood (Paubrasilia echinata)	Subject to extrabudgetary resources, the Secretariat shall: a)consolidate information relating to: i)the voluntary marking or identification systems developed by source, transit and destination Parties for Paubrasilia echinata; ii)the mechanisms used to register Paubrasilia echinata bow and wood stockpiles; and iii)make the information available to Parties on request; and b)submit a report to the Standing Committee relating to the information received from Parties in terms of Decisions 20.AA and 20.BB.
20.Paubrasilia4	Standing Committee	Brazil wood (Paubrasilia echinata)	The Standing Committee shall consider the report submitted by the Secretariat under Decision 20.CC and make recommendations for consideration by: a)the source, transit and destination Parties for Paubrasilia echinata; and b)the Conference of the Parties at its 21st meeting, as appropriate.
20.MAPs1	Secretariat	Trade in medicinal and aromatic plant species	The Secretariat shall: a)finalize the study developed under Decision 19.261, paragraph c), and summarized in document PC27 Doc. 32.1 Add. for the consideration of the Plants Committee; b)work with the nomenclature specialist of the Plants Committee and the United Nations Environment Programme-World Conservation Monitoring Centre (UNEP-WCMC) to consider the identified discrepancies listed in Annexes 2 to 4 of document PC27 Doc. 32.1 Add, and identify whether corrections or improvements to the nomenclature in CITES databases are necessary; c)subject to external funding, implement cross-references between CITES databases and the Medicinal Plant Names Services for CITES-listed MAPs, taking into account the technical advice of the Plants Committee agreed at its 26th meeting (see summary record PC26 SR); and d)report to the Plants Committee.

20.MAPs2	Plants Committee	Trade in medicinal and aromatic plant species	The Plants Committee shall a)review the study and the report submitted by the Secretariat in accordance with Decision 20.AA; b)continue to consider the draft Resolution on Medicinal and Aromatic Plants contained in the Annex to document PC27 Com. 3, including taking into account the report submitted by the Secretariat under Decision 20.AA, and make any recommendation as appropriate; and c)report to the Standing Committee.
20.MAPs3	Standing Committee	Trade in medicinal and aromatic plant species	The Standing Committee shall review the report of the Plants Committee and make recommendations to the Conference of the Parties, as appropriate.
20.Annotation	Standing Committee	Annotations	The Standing Committee shall, in close collaboration with the Plants Committee, recognizing that the Plants Committee is an important source of expertise and advice to Parties on such scientific and technical issues: a)re-establish the working group on annotations, aiming to ensure balanced representation of importing and exporting Parties. The group shall include, but not be limited to, Members from the Standing Committee, Plants Committee, observer Parties, including representatives of CITES Management and Scientific Authorities, enforcement focal points, and industry representatives. The terms of reference for the working group shall include the following and may be expanded in response to other Decisions adopted by CoP20: i) in close collaboration with ongoing efforts in the Plants Committee, continue reviewing the appropriateness and practical challenges resulting from the implementation of the annotations to the Appendices, including those related to tree species, particularly to assess the benefits of simplifying annotations #5, #6 and #17 or assessing the benefits of harmonizing annotations for species with the same genus, taking into account the guidance provided by Resolution Conf. 11.21 (Rev. CoP19) on Use of annotations in Appendices I and II; ii) further consider Annotations #11 and #12 with regard to determining when extracts become ingredients in finished products and consult with range States to ensure that the annotations would continue to regulate the specimens/commodities they export under the original rationale for the species listing in line with the guidance provided in Resolution Conf. 11.21 (Rev. CoP19) on Use of annotations in Appendices I and II; iii)further consider Annotation #14 related to the agarwood producing taxa (Aquilaria spp. and Gyrinops spp.) in particular with regard to the implementation of paragraph e) "exhausted agarwood powder, including compressed powder in all shapes" and the challenges related to the identification of exhausted agarwood powder by frontline enforcement officers; iv)develop or refine definitions of terms used in current annotations as appropriate, and submit them for adoption by the Conference of the Parties and subsequent inclusion in the Interpretation section of the Appendices; v) conduct any work related to annotations directed to it by the Conference of the Parties, the Standing Committee or the Plants Committee; and vi) prepare reports on progress made in addressing the issues tasked to it and submit them for consideration by the
18.317 (Rev. CoP1920)	Standing Committee, in consultation with the Plants Committee	Information system for trade in specimens of CITES-listed tree species	The Standing Committee, in consultation with the Plants Committee, shall explore the feasibility and requirements for developing an information system, subject to agreed terms of reference, for the purpose of processing trade data associated with transactions in specimens of CITES-listed tree species authorized under the provisions of the Convention and submit any relevant recommendations to the 20th <u>21st</u> meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

19.265	Secretariat	Information system for trade in specimens of CITES-listed tree species	Subject to external funding, the Secretariat shall commission a study exploring the feasibility and requirements for developing an information system as proposed and provide its findings and recommendations to the Standing Committee.
19.268 (Rev. CoP20)	Secretariat	Orchid specimens exempted through annotation #4 g)	No less than one (1) year after entry into force of the Decisions adopted at the 19th-20th meeting of the Conference of the Parties, the Secretariat shall issue a Notification to the Parties requesting the following information: a) whether there have been any implementation issues concerning the annotation #4 g exemption for finished products <u>derived from artificial propagation</u> packaged and ready for retail trade of cosmetics containing parts and derivatives of specimens of Bletilla striata, Cycnoches cooperi, Gastrodia elata, Phalaenopsis amabilis and Phalaenopsis lobbii, and if so describe the issues; b) whether Parties have identified any conservation impacts of the annotation #4 exemption on the status of Bletilla striata, Cycnoches cooperi, Gastrodia elata, Phalaenopsis amabilis and Phalaenopsis lobbii in the wild; and c) based on the responses received, prepare a report to the Standing Committee on implementation challenges and to the Plants Committee on conservation impacts of the exemption.
19.269 (Rev. CoP20)	Parties	Orchid specimens exempted through annotation #4 g)	Parties are encouraged to submit pertinent information concerning the annotation #4 g exemption for finished products <u>derived from artificial propagation</u> packaged and ready for retail trade of cosmetics containing parts and derivatives of specimens of Bletilla striata, Cycnoches cooperi, Gastrodia elata, Phalaenopsis amabilis and Phalaenopsis lobbii as requested in Decision 19.268 (Rev. CoP20).
19.270 (Rev. CoP20)	Plants Committee	Orchid specimens exempted through annotation #4 g)	The Plants Committee shall: a) review the information received as requested under Decision 19.268 (Rev. CoP20) with a view to assessing whether the exemption provided under annotation #4 g has had any impacts on the wild populations of these species; and b) based on the outcome of this review, formulate recommendations to the Standing Committee concerning the exemption provided under annotation #4 g for Bletilla striata, Cycnoches cooperi, Gastrodia elata, Phalaenopsis amabilis and Phalaenopsis lobbii.
19.271 (Rev. CoP20)	Standing Committee	Orchid specimens exempted through annotation #4 g)	The Standing Committee shall: a) consider the report of the Secretariat in accordance with Decision 19.268 (Rev. CoP20) and any recommendations of the Plants Committee under Decision 19.270 (Rev. CoP20); and b) formulate recommendations to the 20th-21st meeting of the Conference of the Parties concerning the application and conservation impacts of the exemption provided under annotation #4 to Bletilla striata, Cycnoches cooperi, Gastrodia elata, Phalaenopsis amabilis and Phalaenopsis lobbii, as appropriate.
19.274 (Rev. CoP20)	Animals and Plants Committees	Development of a standardized global checklist of species	Subject to external funding, the Animals and Plants Committee shall, through their respective nomenclature specialists, participate in the initiative of the International Union of Biological Sciences to develop a standardized global checklist of species, and report on progress to the 20th-21st meeting of the Conference of the Parties.
18.309	Secretariat	Use of time-specific versions of online databases as standard nomenclature references	The Secretariat shall: a) continue to engage copyright-holders of relevant online-databases that might serve as standard nomenclature references and explore the possible use of time-specific versions for CITES services; for example, relevant databases include but are not limited to WoRMS, Fish Base, ESCHMEYER & FRICKE's Catalog of Fishes, Amphibian Species of the World, and Corals of the World as standard references; b) report the results of its consultations to the Animals Committee.

18.310 (Rev. CoP19 <u>20</u>)	Animals Committee	Use of time-specific versions of online databases as standard nomenclature references	The Animals Committee shall: a) evaluate the results of the Secretariat's consultation; b) develop recommendations on the use of time-specific online-databases as standard nomenclature references for decision by the Conference of the Parties at its 20th <u>21st</u> meeting.
18.311_ (Rev. CoP20)	Secretariat	Use of time-specific versions of online databases as standard nomenclature references	The Secretariat shall: a) determine seek as a priority if access is possible, to a time-specific version of the WoRMS database <u>for consideration as a standard nomenclature reference for CITES listed coral species and, if accessible, provide it to the Animals Committee;</u> and b) <u>issue a Notification to the Parties reminding Parties, when they issue permits and certificates for coral specimens, to use the names of coral species as defined in the standard nomenclature reference adopted by the Conference of the Parties, as recommended in Resolution Conf.12.3 (Rev.CoP19) on Permits and certificates;</u> report on progress to the Animals-Committee.
18.312 (Rev. CoP19 <u>20</u>)	Animals Committee	Use of time-specific versions of online databases as standard nomenclature references	The Animals Committee shall: a) consider the report of the Secretariat <u>the time specific version of the WoRMS database, and any other taxonomic authorities, for use as a standard nomenclature reference</u> and proceed towards recommending for adoption of an <u>updated</u> standard nomenclature reference for CITES-listed corals <u>as a priority</u> ; b) update its list of coral taxa for which identification to genus level is acceptable, but which should be identified to species level where feasible, once a new standard nomenclature reference for CITES-listed coral species has been identified and provide the updated list to the Secretariat for dissemination; and c) report with recommendations to the 20th <u>21st</u> meeting of the Conference of the Parties.
20.Checkli st	Secretariat	Preparation of checklists	invited the Secretariat in consultation with the Nomenclature Specialist of the Animals Committee, taking into consideration the priority list of taxa agreed at the joint session of the 27th meeting of the Plants Committee and the 33rd meeting of the Animals Committee (PC27/AC33 Sum 2), to prepare draft decisions for consideration by the Conference of the Parties, in order to facilitate, subject to external funding, the preparation of checklists.
20.BirdNo m	Animals Committee	Nomenclature for birds	The Animals Committee shall continue its work towards adoption of an updated standard nomenclature reference for birds, taking into consideration previous work done, as well as the consolidated checklist of birds of the world in preparation.
20.PlantDi stribution DB	Plants Committee	Plant distribution at ISO country level	invited the nomenclature specialist to develop draft decisions for the consideration of the Conference of the Parties to liaise with the editors of global databases containing plant distribution information on the possibility of providing such information on an ISO country level;
20.Cacti1	Secretariat, in close consultation with the nomenclature specialist of the Plants Committee	Nomenclature for Cactaceae	The Secretariat, in close consultation with the nomenclature specialist of the Plants Committee, shall, subject to external funding, propose an updated checklist for the family Cactaceae, taking into account information contained in document PC26 Doc. 43.3 and agreements contained in summary record PC26 SR, as well as other available information, and report to the Plants Committee.

20.Cacti1	Plants Committee	Nomenclature for Cactaceae	The Plants Committee shall advise the Secretariat on the updated checklist for the family Cactaceae and report its recommendations to the Conference of the Parties, including with regard to the adoption of the checklist as standard nomenclature reference in Resolution Conf. 12.11 (Rev. CoP20) on Standard nomenclature.
20.PlantC hecklist1	Secretariat, in close consultation with the nomenclature specialist of the Plants Committee	Nomenclature checklists for the genera Cyclamen, Galanthus, and Sternbergia	The Secretariat, in close consultation with the nomenclature specialist of the Plants Committee, shall, subject to external funding, propose separate updated checklists for consideration at CoP21 for inclusion in Resolution Conf. 12.11 (Rev. CoP20) on Standard nomenclature.
20.PlantC hecklist2	Plants Committee	Nomenclature checklists for the genera Cyclamen, Galanthus, and Sternbergia	The Plants Committee shall advise the Secretariat on the updated checklists for the genera Cyclamen, Galanthus, and Sternbergia, and report its recommendations to the Conference of the Parties, including with regard to the adoption of the checklists as standard nomenclature references in Resolution Conf. 12.11 (Rev. CoP19) on Standard nomenclature.
20.Aquilar iaGyrinop s1	Secretariat, in consultation with the nomenclature specialist of the Plants Committee and range States and other Parties	Taxonomy for Aquilaria spp. and Gyrinops spp.	The Secretariat shall, subject to external funding: a) commission a study and field work, to: i) review available data and information on the phylogeny, taxonomy, and distribution of Aquilaria spp. and Gyrinops spp.; ii) in collaboration with range States and other Parties, as appropriate and if not available otherwise, obtain representative sets of samples of agarwood specimens from all agarwood range States, that are suitable for phylogenetic and taxonomic analyses; iii) undertake the necessary analyses to clarify the phylogeny and taxonomy of Aquilaria spp. and Gyrinops spp.; and b) in collaboration with the nomenclature specialist of the Plants Committee, propose an updated checklist of the two genera for the consideration of the Plants Committee.
20.Aquilar iaGyrinop s2	Plants Committee	Taxonomy for Aquilaria spp. and Gyrinops spp.	The Plants Committee shall advise the Secretariat on the updated checklists for the genera Aquilaria and Gyrinops and report its recommendations to the Conference of the Parties, including with regard to the adoption of the checklists as standard nomenclature references in Resolution Conf. 12.11 (Rev. CoP20) on Standard nomenclature.
20.Aquilar iaGyrinop s3	Range States of Aquilaria spp. and Gyrinops spp. and other Parties	Taxonomy for Aquilaria spp. and Gyrinops spp.	Range States of Aquilaria spp. and Gyrinops spp. and other Parties are invited to provide funding for the implementation of the study under Decision 20.AA, and to facilitate the collection and analysis of representative sets of samples of agarwood specimens from all range States, that are suitable for phylogenetic analyses, as appropriate.
20.Anaca mpseros		Nomenclature for Anacampseros spp.	The Plants Committee requested the nomenclature specialist to consider various options and to further investigate the best standard nomenclature reference for the genus Anacampseros spp. (=Avonia), including a potential update of the family name, and to propose draft decisions for consideration for consideration by the 20th meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

20.Orchid nom1	Secretariat, in close cooperation with the nomenclature specialist of the Plants Committee	Nomenclature for Orchidaceae spp.	The Secretariat shall, in close cooperation with the nomenclature specialist of the Plants Committee and subject to continued availability of external funding: a)review which orchid genera are found in trade to inform updates of the standard nomenclature reference; b) prepare an update to the standard nomenclatural reference for Appendix-II listed orchids contained in Resolution Conf. 12.11 (Rev. CoP19) on Standard nomenclature, and add to the updated standard nomenclature reference any additional genera that are found in trade; c)in undertaking the above, take into account the views expressed in response to Notification 2024/010 and compiled in document PC27 Doc. 41.3 on Nomenclature for Appendix-II listed orchids (Orchidaceae spp.), as well as an updated comparison of the current standard nomenclature reference with the Plants of the World Online (POWO) database; and d)report on progress or results of this work to the Plants Committee
20.Orchid nom2	Plants Committee	Nomenclature for Orchidaceae spp.	The Plants Committee shall: a)consider progress and results reported by the Secretariat as per Decision 20.AA; and b)make recommendations to the Conference of the Parties, as appropriate.
19.290	Secretariat, in close cooperation with the nomenclature specialist of the Plants Committee	Nomenclature for yews (Taxus spp.)	The Secretariat shall, in close cooperation with the nomenclature specialist of the Plants Committee: a)subject to the availability of external resources, commission the drafting of an update of the standard nomenclature reference for Taxus spp., taking into consideration relevant elements of paragraph 10 of the Addendum to document PC25 Doc. 31; and b)report on progress or results of this work to the Plants Committee.
19.291	Plants Committee	Nomenclature for yews (Taxus spp.)	The Plants Committee shall: a)consider progress and results reported by the Secretariat as per Decision 19.290; and b)make recommendations to the Conference of the Parties, as appropriate.