

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



Joint sessions of the 30th meeting of the Animals Committee and
the 24th meeting of the Plants Committee
Geneva (Switzerland), 20-21 July 2018

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
(Saturday 21 July 2018)

12./13. Review of Significant Trade in specimens of Appendix-II species

12.3/13.3 Country-wide significant trade reviews..... AC30 Doc. 12.3/PC24 Doc. 13.3

The Committees adopted the recommendations in document AC30/PC24 Com. 1 with the following amendments:

- include the representative of Africa of the Plants Committee (Mr. Mahamane) and specify that Mr. Beltetón is the representative of Central and South America and the Caribbean of the Plants Committee;
- spell out RST as Review of Significant Trade in paragraphs 1 and 5 and spell out MG as Madagascar in paragraph 5;
- in paragraph 5, replace “paragraph iii) & iv)” by “paragraph 3) and 4)”;
- in the Spanish version, include a comma after “párrafos iii) & iv) anteriores”.

10. Non-detriment findings

10.1 Report of the Secretariat..... AC30 Doc. 10.1/PC24 Doc. 10.1

The Committees adopted the recommendations in document AC30/PC24 Com. 2 with the following amendments:

- in draft decision 18.AA, paragraph c) subparagraph ii) should read as follows:
 - “ii) organising one or more interdisciplinary expert workshops on NDFs, including the 2nd international expert workshop on non-detriment findings, with assistance of the Animals and Plants Committees, where draft guidance materials on NDFs are to be reviewed, advanced or completed;”

6. Review of Terms of Reference of the Animals and Plants Committees

contained in Resolution Conf. 11.1 (Rev. CoP17)..... AC30 Doc. 6/PC24 Doc. 6

The Committees agreed to the amendments to Annex 2 of Resolution Conf. 11.1 (Rev. CoP17) in document AC30/PC24 Com. 3.

7. CITES Strategic vision..... *No document*

The Committees noted an oral update of the Chair of the Standing Committee, and provided feedback on the draft CITES Strategic Vision for the period after 2020 to the Chairs of the Animals and Plants Committees, as the Committees' representatives on the Standing Committee's working group on the Strategic Vision.

11. Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem services (IPBES) *No document*

The Committees noted the oral updates of the acting representative of North America of the Plants Committee (Mr. Benítez Díaz), of the Secretariat, of the Chair of the Animals Committee and Canada, in their capacity as Chair of the Standing Committee's intersessional working group on IPBES.

The Committees requested the Secretariat to issue a Notification transmitting IPBES' call for requests, inputs and suggestions on short-term priorities and longer term strategic needs that require attention and action by IPBES as part of its future work programme and the IPBES assessment of the sustainable use of wild species, issues and questions which the IPBES assessment could address to make the assessment most useful for CITES. The Committee further requested the Secretariat to compile Parties' responses for transmittal to the Standing Committee's intersessional working group on IPBES.

33./29. Annotations AC30 Doc. 33/PC24 Doc. 29

The Committees noted document AC30 Doc. 33/PC24 Doc. 29 and provided feedback on the future mandate of the Standing Committee's intersessional working group on annotations.

Closing remarks *No document*

The Chair of the Plants Committee, the Chair of the Animals Committee and the CITES Secretariat thanked the participants, the interpreters and all the meeting organizers. The Chairs of the Committees then closed the joint session of the 30th meeting of the Animals Committee and the 24th meeting of the Plants Committee.