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Agarwood-producing taxa (*Aquilaria* spp. and *Gyrinops* spp.)

Membership: (14 Members and Parties; 3 Observers)

Chair: representative for Asia (Ms. Zeng);

Parties: Austria, China, European Union, Germany, **India**, Indonesia, Malaysia, Netherlands, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Spain, Thailand, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America; and

IGOs and NGOs: United Nations Environment Programme – World Conservation Monitoring Centre, International Tropical Timber Organization, World Wide Fund for Nature.

Mandate:

Taking into account document PC26 Doc. 27 and its Annex:

- a) in accordance with paragraph b) of Decision 19.239, formulate recommendations regarding the *Agarwood glossary*, taking into account relevant information;
- b) in accordance with paragraph a) of Decision 19.239, consider potential revisions to Resolution Conf. 16.10 on *Implementation of the Convention for agarwood-producing taxa*; taking into account other relevant resolutions, including Resolution Conf. 10.13 (Rev. CoP18) on *Implementation of the Convention for tree species*, and Resolution Conf. 11.11 (Rev. CoP18) on *Regulation of trade in plants*, as appropriate;
- c) additionally consider consequential recommendations with respect to paragraph 3(b)iv of Resolution Conf. 13.7 (Rev. CoP17) on *Control of trade in personal and household effects*; as appropriate; and
- d) report its recommendations to PC27.

Boswellia trees (*Boswellia* spp.)

Membership: (11 Members and Parties; 7 Observers)

Chair: representative for Europe (Ms. Smyth);

Members: representative for Africa (Mr. Balama), representative for Asia (Ms. Zeng);

Parties: Benin, China, Eritrea, Ethiopia, European Union, Germany, India, Kenya, Niger, Nigeria, Oman, Republic of Korea, Sudan, Switzerland, Togo, Uganda, United States of America, Yemen

IGOs and NGO: United Nations Environment Programme – World Conservation Monitoring Centre, American Herbal Products Association, Industria Derivati Naturali, Royal Botanical Gardens Edinburgh, TRAFFIC, World Wide Fund for Nature, Forest Trends, Forest Research Institute (Ghana).

Mandate:

- a) in accordance with Decision 19.242, paragraph a), and considering the information in document PC26 Doc. 28.2, identify meetings or other venues that might provide opportunities to collaborate or share information regarding harvest and management of *Boswellia* species, and consider to propose draft decisions regarding a possible range State meeting to be organized by the Secretariat, subject to available funding;
- b) in accordance with Decision 19.242, paragraph b), review document PC26 Doc. 28.1 and its Annexes and make recommendations to inform possible listing proposals for *Boswellia* species, including consideration of appropriate annotations consistent with the guidance in Resolution Conf. 11.21 (Rev. CoP19) on *Use of annotations in Appendices I and II*; and
- c) report its recommendations to the Committee at its 27th meeting.

Identification of timber and other wood products

Membership: (23 Members and Parties; 9 Observers)

Chair: Canada;

Members: alternate representative for Asia (Mr. Chong), representative for Central and South America and the Caribbean (Mr. Belteton Chacon), representative for North America (Mr. Boles);

Parties: Cameroon, Canada, Chile, China, Democratic Republic of the Congo, European Union, Germany, India, Indonesia, Madagascar, Malaysia, Mali, Mexico, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, South Africa, Switzerland, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America;

IGOs and NGOs: International Tropical Timber Organization, Association Technique Internationale des Bois Tropicaux, ForestBased Solutions, Forest Trends, International Wood Products Association, Species Survival Network, TRAFFIC, World Resources Institute, World Wide Fund for Nature.

Mandate:

Discuss and agree on a way forward for the implementation of paragraphs a) to h) of Decision 19.147, including consideration of Annex 2 to document PC26 Doc. 20 and report back to the Plants Committee.

Neotropical tree species¹

Membership: (15 Members and Parties; 9 Observers)

Chair: representative for Central and South America and the Caribbean (Mr. Belteton Chacon);

Parties: Belgium, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, European Union, France, Germany, Mexico, Netherlands, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Portugal, United States of America; and

IGOs and NGOs: International Tropical Timber Organization, Center for International Environmental Law, Forest Trends, International Society of Violin and Bow Makers, International Wood Products Association (IWPA), IPCI France Europe, Species Survival Network, TRAFFIC, World Wide Fund for Nature.

Mandate:

Consider the recommendations in document PC26 Com. 7 and to draft recommendations for the Plants Committee at its 27th meeting.

¹ The Plants Committee *invited* the Secretariat to publish a Notification to invite Parties to express an interest in joining the intersessional working group, noting that all range States of neotropical tree species are invited to be members of the working group. See Notification to the Parties [No. 2023/083](#) of 17 July 2023.

Trade in medicinal and aromatic plant species

Membership: (20 Members and Parties; 6 Observers)

Chair: representative for Europe (Ms. Moser);

Members: representative for Asia (Ms. Zeng), representative for North America (Mr. Boles);

Parties: Austria, Canada, China, European Union, Germany, India, Indonesia, Madagascar, Malaysia, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Singapore, Thailand, Togo, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Zimbabwe; and

IGOs and NGOs: United Nations Environment Programme – World Conservation Monitoring Centre, International Union for Conservation of Nature, American Herbal Products Association, Forest Trends, TRAFFIC, World Wide Fund for Nature.

Mandate:

- a) in accordance with Decision 19.263 paragraph b), take into consideration the information in document PC25 Doc. 30 and its addendum, information document CoP18 Inf. 11; document PC26 Doc. 34 / AC32 Doc. 41, and other relevant information;
- b) consider paragraph 6 of document PC26 Doc. 34 / AC32 Doc. 41, the comments on those contained in Annex 2 of document PC26 Com. 5, and any report of the Secretariat as per Decision 19.261, that may become available to further inform the review;
- c) draft a new Resolution on medicinal and aromatic plant products; and
- d) report its findings to the Plants Committee.