

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

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Strategic and administrative matters

STRATEGIC VISION

1. This document has been prepared by the Secretariat.
2. At its 11th meeting (Gigiri, 2000), the Conference of the Parties adopted the Strategic Vision through 2005 and the associated Action Plan.
3. At its 13th meeting (Bangkok, 2004), considering that the period covered by the Strategic Vision was coming to an end, the Conference of the Parties adopted Decision 13.1 as follows:

The Conference of the Parties decides:

- a) *to extend until the end of 2007 the time validity of the Strategic Vision and its Action Plan, which were adopted with Decision 11.1 at its 11th meeting (Gigiri, 2000) (attached as Annex 1 to [the CoP13] Decisions);*
 - b) *to establish a Strategic Plan Working Group as a subcommittee of the Standing Committee, with representation from all regions and of the Animals and Plants Committees, with the task to develop, with the cooperation of the Secretariat, a proposal for a Strategic Vision and Action Plan through 2013, in particular in order to contribute to the achievement of the World Summit on Sustainable Development (WSSD) targets of significantly reducing the rate of biodiversity loss by 2010;*
 - c) *to invite input from relevant intergovernmental organizations to the work of the Strategic Plan Working Group with respect to possible synergies;*
 - d) *to urge all Parties and to instruct the Secretariat and the permanent Committees to evaluate their efforts in relation to the implementation of the existing Strategic Vision and Action Plan and to submit the outcome thereof to the Strategic Plan Working Group through their representatives on that working group;*
 - e) *that the Strategic Plan Working Group shall submit its proposal to the Standing Committee for approval at its annual meeting prior to the deadline for the submission of proposals for consideration at the 14th meeting of the Conference of the Parties, which is to be held in 2007; and*
 - f) *that the Standing Committee shall submit the proposal for a Strategic Vision and Action Plan through 2013 for adoption at the 14th meeting of the Conference of the Parties.*
4. The Secretariat recommends that the Standing Committee establish the Strategic Plan Working Group at the present meeting, so that it can prepare a draft document for consideration at the 54th meeting of the Committee.