

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



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ESTABLISHMENT OF INTERSESSIONAL WORKING GROUP (IWG)
ON DISPOSAL OF ILLEGALLY TRADED AND CONFISCATED SPECIMENS

This information document has been submitted by Indonesia* in relation to agenda item 27.2 on *Disposal of illegally traded and confiscated specimens of Appendix-I, -II and -III species.*

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Term of Reference

Establishment of Intersessional Working Group (IWG) on Disposal of illegally traded and confiscated specimens

Rationale

1. Decision 16.47 on Disposal of illegally-traded and confiscated specimens of Appendix-I, -II and -III species directs that the Standing Committee shall review Resolutions Conf. 9.9, Conf. 9.10 (Rev. CoP15) and Conf. 10.7 (Rev. CoP15) with a view to determining whether to consolidate any of their provisions or simplify their provisions, and shall report its conclusions and recommendations at the 17th meeting of the Conference of the Parties.
2. This decision was taken following the consideration on the proposal by Indonesia on the same subject, therefore, when reviewing such Resolutions the Standing Committee shall take the original proposal into account. This proposal was seen as in the document CoP16 Doc.31 (Rev.2).
3. Concerning the above matters the Standing Committee at its 65th meeting shall establish an **Intersessional Working Group on Disposal of illegally traded and confiscated specimen**, to work on the review of such Resolutions identified in the Decision 16.47 and provide report and the draft consolidated or simplified Resolution.

Mandates of the IWG

The Intersessional Working Group on Disposal of illegally traded and confiscated specimen shall work intersessionally with the mandates as follows:

1. To review the Resolutions Conf. 9.9, Conf. 9.10 (Rev. CoP15) and Conf. 10.7 (Rev. CoP15) and to consolidate any of their provisions or simplify their provisions.
2. To formulate consolidated or simplified Resolutions taking into account the proposal by Indonesia at CoP 16 contained in the document CoP16 Doc.31 (Rev.2).
3. To submit the draft of the consolidated or simplified Resolutions to the 66th meeting of the Standing Committee for the consideration by the Standing Committee.

Membership

1. Members of the Working Group shall consist of the representation of the importing and exporting countries of the current members of the Standing Committee.
2. The Co-chair may invite experts into the membership of the Working Group

Meetings, ways of communication and time frame

1. The Working Group shall at least physically meet 2 (two) times at the Standing Committee sessions at its 65th and 66th meetings.
2. Unless the Secretariat or donor countries could provide funding for intersessional meetings, the Working Group shall undertake the review and to communicate electronically.
3. The Working Group shall report the results at the 66th meeting of the Standing Committee. The report shall have been received by the Secretariat 30 days prior to the 66th meeting.