Proposed terms of reference for the SC65 inter-sessional working group on implementation of Decision 16.39

**Directed to the Standing Committee**

16.39 At its 65th meeting, the Standing Committee shall initiate a process to assess implementation and enforcement of the Convention as it relates to the trade in species listed in Appendix I. The Committee shall report its findings at the 17th meeting of the Conference of the Parties to CITES.

Taking into account the mandate in Decision 16.39, information included in document CoP16 Inf. 34 and other relevant information, the SC65 inter-sessional working group on implementation of Decision 16.39 will:

1. Evaluate existing CITES mechanisms that may be useful to address this issue;
2. Consider appropriate revisions to those mechanisms;
3. Consider whether a new mechanism would be appropriate; and
4. Make recommendations to the Standing Committee at its 66th meeting.