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OF WILD FAUNA AND FLORA

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RECOMMENDS that an exception may be granted and specimens deemed to be artificially propagated if grown from wild-collected seeds or spores only if, for the taxon involved:

- a) establishment of a cultivated parental stock presents significant difficulties in practice because specimens take a long time to reach reproductive age, as for many tree species;
- b) the seeds or spores are collected from the wild and grown under controlled conditions within a range State, which must also be the country of origin of the seeds or spores;
- c) the relevant Management Authority of that range State has determined that the collection of seeds or spores was legal and consistent with relevant national laws for the protection and conservation of the species;
- d) the relevant Scientific Authority of that range State has determined that:
 - i) collection of the seeds or spores was not detrimental to the survival of the species in the wild; and
 - ii) allowing trade in such specimens has a positive effect on the conservation of wild populations;
- e) at a minimum, to comply with paragraph d)i) and d)ii) above,
 - i) collection of seeds or spores for this purpose should be limited in such a manner such as to allow regeneration of the wild population;
 - ii) a portion of the plants produced under such circumstances must be used to establish plantations to serve as cultivated parental stock in the future and become an additional source of seeds or spores and thus reduce or eliminate the need to collect seeds from the wild; and
 - iii) a portion of the plants produced under such circumstances must be used for replanting in the wild, to enhance recovery of existing populations or to re-establish populations that have been extirpated; and
- f) operations propagating Appendix-I species for commercial purposes under such conditions must be registered with the CITES Secretariat in accordance with Resolution Conf. 9.19 on Guidelines for the registration of nurseries exporting artificially propagated specimens of Appendix-I species;

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