

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

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DRAFT DECISION OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

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Directed to the Standing Committee

13.xx The Standing Committee shall:

- a) contingent on the availability of external funding obtained under Decision 13.xx, convene a workshop on introduction from the sea to consider implementation and technical issues, taking into account the two FAO Expert Consultations on implementation and legal issues,* and documents and discussions that occurred at CoP11 and CoP13 on these issues;
- b) invite the following participants to the workshop: three representatives from each CITES region to represent a Management Authority, a Scientific Authority, and a fisheries expert; two representatives from FAO; a representative from WCO; and two representatives of NGOs or IGOs with CITES and fisheries expertise;
- c) through its clearing house mechanism, decide on the appropriate way to handle the logistics, agenda and reporting for the workshop and set timelines for the work to be done;
- d) ask the Secretariat to provide the report and recommendations from the workshop to the Parties through a notification and to FAO for consideration and comment; and
- e) consider the comments received on the workshop report from the Parties and FAO, prepare a discussion paper and draft resolution for consideration at SC54, and ask the Secretariat to submit the draft resolution for consideration at CoP14.

Directed to the Secretariat

13.xx The Secretariat shall:

- a) as an issue of high priority, assist in obtaining funds from interested Parties, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, and other funding sources to support a workshop on introduction from the sea under the terms of reference set out in Decision 13.xx;
- b) assist the Standing Committee in preparing for the workshop; and
- c) welcome the consultations convened by FAO and approach the FAO Secretariat concerning further collaboration on introduction from the sea.

* FAO Fisheries Report No. 741: Report of the expert consultation on implementation issues associated with listing commercially-exploited aquatic species on CITES Appendices and FAO Fisheries Report No. 746: Report of the expert consultation on legal issues related to CITES and commercially-exploited aquatic species.