

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



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Committee II

CITES and livelihoods

DRAFT DECISION OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

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Regarding CITES and livelihoods

Directed to the Standing Committee

- 15.xx The Standing Committee shall continue the operation of its Working Group on CITES and Livelihoods so that it can:
- a) revise the draft resolution contained in Annex 1 to document CoP15 Doc. 14 and make specific recommendations to the 16th meeting of the Conference of the Parties;
 - b) finalize the toolkit for the rapid assessment at the national level of the positive and negative impacts of implementing CITES listing decisions on the livelihoods of the poor, in conformity with Resolution Conf. 8.3 (Rev. CoP13);
 - c) finalize the voluntary guidelines for Parties to address the negative impacts, in order to assist Parties in developing local, national and regional initiatives that take account of the impacts of implementing CITES listing decisions on the livelihoods of the poor; and
 - d) prepare a final version of the tools and guidelines for review and endorsement by the Standing Committee at its 62nd meeting.

The Working Group shall continue to work electronically through a forum available on the CITES website. If funding is available, consideration may be given to holding one or more meetings, if possible in regions more likely to be affected by the outcome.

The process shall not include consideration of the criteria for amendment of the Appendices or the requirement to make non-detriment findings.

- 15.xx The Standing Committee shall present a report at the 16th meeting of the Conference of the Parties on the progress made with regard to the implementation of Decision 15.xx.

Directed to the Secretariat

- 15.xx On completion of the draft Guidelines and Toolkit by the Working Group, the Secretariat shall make the draft documents available on its website for comments by Parties, stakeholders and interested organizations, and shall invite such comments via a Notification to the Parties. The comments shall be made available to the Working Group for consideration in the development of revised draft documents to be submitted for approval at the 61st meeting of the Standing Committee.