

RESOLUTION CONF. 11.17 (REV. COP14)

*NATIONAL REPORTS*

1. In Resolution Conf. 11.17 (Rev. CoP14), the Conference of the Parties:

*URGES all Parties to submit their biennial reports required under the provisions of Article VIII, paragraph 7 (b), by 31 October following the year for which they are due ...*

2. In relation to the submission of annual reports, the Resolution does not directly specify a deadline but states that:

*failure to submit an annual report by 31 October of the year following the year for which the report was due constitutes a major problem with the implementation of the Convention.*

3. The Secretariat believes it would be preferable for the Resolution to clearly state the deadline.

Recommendation

4. The Secretariat recommends that the Conference of the Parties adopt the amendment to the first paragraph of the operative part of Resolution Conf. 11.17 (Rev. CoP14) indicated below.

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*NB: Proposed new text is underlined.*

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION CONF. 11.17 (REV. COP14)

URGES all Parties to submit their annual reports required under the provisions of Article VIII, paragraph 7 (a), by 31 October following the year for which they are due and in accordance with the most recent version of the *Guidelines for the preparation and submission of CITES annual reports* distributed by the Secretariat and as may be amended with the concurrence of the Standing Committee;