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OF WILD FAUNA AND FLORA



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Committee I

Harvesting and trade in *Prunus africana*

DRAFT DECISIONS ON *PRUNUS AFRICANA*

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Draft decisions

Directed to the Secretariat

17.xx1 The Secretariat shall:

- a) organize, subject to available resources, an International Workshop on the sustainable use and the control of international trade in *Prunus africana* with the participation of all relevant Parties, including exporting and importing countries, forestry experts and stakeholders with a view to producing recommendations, among others, on methodologies to be used for inventories (including regarding the sampling design and the inventory data set), sustainable harvesting techniques, monitoring and traceability systems, and perspectives in terms of developing plantations or agroforestry systems as a possible complementary mean of producing bark of *Prunus africana* in a sustainable manner, as well as any other relevant issues;
- b) seek external funding, in particular from interested Parties, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, and the International Tropical Timber Organization; in order to organize the International Workshop as called for under paragraph a); and
- c) report to the Plants Committee at its 24th meeting about the recommendations made by the International Workshop for consideration and advise to the range States of *Prunus africana*.

Directed to exporting and importing Parties

17.xx2 Exporting and importing Parties of *Prunus africana* shall cooperate with the Secretariat in the organization of the International Workshop by providing expertise, among others, on methodologies to be used for inventories, sustainable harvesting techniques, monitoring and traceability systems, perspectives in terms of developing plantations or agroforestry systems and funding on a voluntary basis.

Directed to the Plants Committee

17.xx3 The Plants Committee shall:

- a) cooperate with the Secretariat with regard to the organization of the International Workshop;
- b) review the recommendations from the International Workshop for consideration and advise to the range States of *Prunus africana*; and
- c) submit a report and provide recommendations to the Standing Committee, as appropriate, and report to the 18th meeting of the Conference of the Parties.