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OF WILD FAUNA AND FLORA



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Committee II

Cooperation with other biodiversity-related conventions

DRAFT DECISIONS ON COOPERATION WITH OTHER BIODIVERSITY-RELATED CONVENTIONS

This document has been prepared by a working group comprised of Brazil, the European Union and the United States of America established on this matter at the fourth session of Committee II. It is based on matters arising from the discussion on document CoP17 Doc. 14.1 in the fourth session of Committee II (see document CoP17 Com. II Rec. 4).

Directed to the Parties

The Parties are encouraged to strengthen synergies among biodiversity multilateral environmental agreements at the national level by, among others, improving coordination and cooperation between national focal points and strengthening capacity-building activities.

Directed to the Standing Committee

The Standing Committee shall, with support of the Secretariat, explore options consistent with the CITES Strategic Vision to strengthen cooperation, collaboration and synergies at all relevant levels between CITES and the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020, its Aichi Targets and a possible follow-up framework, as appropriate, as well as the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its Sustainable Development Goals. This should involve the members of the Liaison Group of Biodiversity-related Conventions, and, as appropriate, engagement with other relevant organisations and processes, including processes under the Rio Conventions. The Standing Committee shall report on the implementation of this Decision at the 18th meeting of the Conference of the Parties.