

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



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Committee II

Asian big cats (*Felidae spp*)

DRAFT DECISIONS ON ASIAN BIG CATS (*FELIDAE SPP*)

This document has been prepared by the drafting group consisting of China, the European Union and its member States, India and Indonesia established on this matter at the ninth session of Committee II. It is based on matters arising from the discussion of document CoP17 Doc 60.2 in the ninth session of Committee II (see document CoP17 Com. II. Rec. 9).

Directed to the Secretariat

17.xx The Secretariat shall:

- a) issue a Notification to the Parties, to request the tiger range States to inform the Secretariat whether they have photographic identification databases for tigers, and the capacity to identify tigers from photographs of tiger skins, and if so, the contacts of the relevant National focal points or agencies; and
- b) inform the Parties which tiger range states have photographic identification databases for tigers, and the capacity to identify tigers from photographs of tiger skins, and the contacts of the relevant National focal points or agencies;
- c) subject to external funding, contract a qualified expert or body to assess the feasibility of establishing, to aid enforcement efforts, a central repository of photographs of wild tigers and seized tiger skins. Such feasibility study shall examine the potential hosts, costs, data management and related issues of such a repository. All tiger range States must be fully consulted as stakeholders;
- d) report on the implementation of this Decision to the 69th meeting of the Standing Committee.

Directed to the Standing Committee

17.xy The Standing Committee shall consider the report of the Secretariat and present its recommendations at the 18th meeting of the Conference of the Parties.