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OF WILD FAUNA AND FLORA



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Species specific matters

QUOTAS FOR LEOPARD HUNTING TROPHIES

1. This document has been submitted by the Standing Committee.* It includes a section on the revision of Resolution Conf. 9.21 (Rev. CoP13) on *Interpretation and application of quotas for species included in Appendix I* provided by the Secretariat at the invitation of the Standing Committee.

Background

2. At its 17th meeting (CoP17, Johannesburg, 2016), the Conference of the Parties adopted Decisions 17.114 to 17.117 on *Quotas for leopard hunting trophies*:

Directed to Parties with quotas established under Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16)

17.114 *Parties, which have quotas, established under Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16) on Quotas for leopard hunting trophies and skins for personal use are requested to review these quotas, and consider whether these quotas are still set at levels which are non-detrimental to the survival of the species in the wild, and to share the outcomes of the review and the basis for the determination that the quota is not detrimental, with the Animals Committee at its 30th meeting.*

Directed to the Animals Committee

17.115 *The Animals Committee shall consider the information submitted by the relevant range States under Decision 17.114 and any other relevant information, and, if necessary, make any recommendations to the range States and to the Standing Committee relating to the review.*

Directed to the Secretariat

17.116 *The Secretariat shall, subject to external funding, support the reviews to be undertaken by range States, referred to in Decision 17.114, upon request by a range State.*

Directed to the Standing Committee

17.117 *The Standing Committee should consider any recommendations of the Animals Committee made in accordance with Decision 17.115, and make its own recommendations, as appropriate, for consideration at the 18th meeting of the Conference of the Parties.*

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Implementation of Decisions 17.114, 17.115 and 17.116

3. In March 2017, the Secretariat wrote to the 12 Parties that have quotas established under [Resolution Conf. 10.14 \(Rev. CoP16\)](#) on *Quotas for leopard hunting trophies and skins for personal use*, i.e. Botswana, the Central African Republic, Ethiopia, Kenya, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, Uganda, the United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe. The Secretariat encouraged these Parties to initiate, in the course of 2017, reviews of the levels of their national leopard export quotas to assess whether they are non-detrimental. It offered its assistance in undertaking these national reviews upon request and within its financial and technical means.
4. As orally reported at the 29th meeting of the Animals Committee (AC29, Geneva, July 2017), Malawi replied that its mammal populations were generally too low for any form of sustainable utilization. It specified that, although leopard was not much of a poaching target judging from seizure and arrest records, its population size and status were not well known. Evidence from patrol sightings in protected areas and also from local communities pointed to a leopard population that was very low. At the time that the quota was set [for Malawi: 20 skins at CoP4 (1984), increased to 50 skins at CoP9 (1995)], the leopard population was thought to be healthy largely due to abundant prey and unaltered habitat. Without a detailed survey, Malawi recommended that its quota for *Panthera pardus* hunting trophies be removed or suspended until the situation improved.
5. In response to the Secretariat's letter, some leopard range States requested further clarifications about the format and nature of the information to be submitted, but the Secretariat was not asked to support reviews as per Decision 17.116.
6. In April 2018, the Secretariat again wrote to Botswana, the Central African Republic, Ethiopia, Kenya, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, Uganda, the United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe to remind them of Decision 17.114.
7. In June 2018, Kenya responded to the Secretariat, stating in writing that it had outlawed wildlife hunting and dealership in wildlife trophies in 1977 and 1978, respectively. Since then, it had not set annual quotas for leopard hunting trophies and export of skins. Kenya indicated that the quota set under Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16) did therefore not apply, and requested it be deleted from the Resolution.
8. At the 30th meeting of the Animals Committee (AC30, Geneva, July 2018), the Secretariat reported that Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, the United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe had submitted substantial information concerning the outcome of their reviews of the quotas established under [Resolution Conf. 10.14 \(Rev. CoP16\)](#), and the basis for the determination that the quota was not detrimental [AC30 Doc. 15 and its Annexes 1 to 6 (in English only)]. It also drew attention to other relevant information that had been submitted to AC30 concerning leopards, such as document [AC30 Doc. 10.2 \(Rev. 1\)](#) on non-detriment findings (NDFs) for hunting trophies of certain African species included in Appendix I and II, submitted by the European Union.
9. In compliance with Decision 17.115, the Animals Committee adopted at AC30 the following recommendations relating to the review of quotas set under Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16), addressed to range States and the Standing Committee (see document [SC70 Doc.55](#)):

The Animals Committee agreed to:

- a) commend all Parties having submitted information on the review of their respective leopard hunting quotas under Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16);
- b) note the various ways in which those Parties have implemented monitoring and adaptive management systems to ensure that the offtake of leopards is sustainable and does not pose a threat to the survival of the species;
- c) encourage that these systems and methodologies be shared among leopard range States in order that lessons learnt and success stories can be multiplied and put to use in all range States concerned;
- d) invite the Secretariat to liaise with the countries that have not sent in the reviews for the consideration of the Animals Committee and urges them to submit information as requested in Decision 17.114 in time for consideration by the Standing Committee by 2 August 2018;

- e) recommend that upcoming meetings dealing with the conservation of leopards, among other species, provide an opportunity for discussion and lessons learnt on monitoring of populations of leopards (for instance, the meeting of the CITES-CMS African Carnivores Initiative, and, if held, the upcoming meeting in Africa on non-detriment findings for sport-hunted trophies); and
- f) request the Standing Committee to consider establishing a process to review and if necessary revise, quotas for Appendix I species which have been established by the Conference of the Parties in accordance with Resolution Conf. 9.21 (Rev. CoP13) on *Interpretation and application of quotas for species included in Appendix I*, such as those for leopards in Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16).

Concerning Parties which have quotas established under Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16) on *Quotas for leopard hunting trophies and skins for personal use*, the Animals Committee informed the Standing Committee in document SC70 Doc. 55 that:

- g) Kenya and Malawi wished for their quotas to be removed from Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16);
 - h) no review had been received from Botswana, the Central African Republic or Ethiopia, as a consequence it was not able to determine if the quotas for leopards for these three range States, established in Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16), were set at levels non-detrimental to the survival of the species in the wild; and
 - i) it considered that the quotas for leopards for Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia, Uganda and Zimbabwe, established in Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16), were set at levels non-detrimental to the survival of the species in the wild.
10. As requested by the Animals Committee, the Secretariat wrote to the three range States that had yet to respond (Botswana, the Central African Republic and Ethiopia), inviting them to submit information as requested in Decision 17.114 in time for consideration by the Standing Committee at its 70th meeting (SC70, Sochi, October 2018). The Secretariat received additional information from the Central African Republic and Ethiopia. Botswana acknowledged receipt of the Secretariat's reminder but did not provide information (see document SC70 Doc. 55). At SC70, the Chair of the Animals Committee noted that the information submitted late by the Central African Republic and Ethiopia had not been analysed by the Animals Committee.
11. At SC70, the Chair of the Animals Committee informed that the forthcoming First Meeting of Range States for the Joint CITES-CMS African Carnivores Initiative would take place in Bonn from 5 to 8 November 2018. As recommended at AC30, and also recalled at SC70 by the Chair of the Animals Committee, the meeting provided an opportunity to further discuss and agree on ways to strengthen the making of NDFs for trade in leopards, and to make recommendations for submission to the Conference of the Parties at its 18th meeting (CoP18, Colombo, 2019), addressing how the NDF-making process for trade in leopards may be improved.

Implementation of Decision 17.117

12. Taking into account the information and recommendations submitted by the Animals Committee in document SC70 Doc. 55, at SC70:

The Standing Committee agreed to propose to the Conference of the Parties draft amendments to Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16) so as to remove quotas for Kenya and Malawi from this Resolution. The Standing Committee noted the evaluation of the Animals Committee concerning the quotas for Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, the United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia, Uganda and Zimbabwe in this Resolution. The Standing Committee agreed to propose to the Conference of the Parties the renewal of Decisions 17.114 to 17.117 for Botswana, the Central African Republic and Ethiopia, allowing the Animals Committee to evaluate the information and make appropriate recommendations after the 18th meeting of the Conference of the Parties. The Standing Committee invited the Secretariat to propose to the Conference of the Parties draft amendments to Resolution Conf. 9.21 (Rev. CoP13) concerning approaches to review quotas for Appendix-I species, taking into consideration the recommendations of the Animals Committee in paragraph 5 f) of document SC70 Doc. 55, and opportunities to provide assistance to range States.

Recommendations of the Standing Committee: revision of Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16)

13. The amendments being proposed by the Standing Committee to Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16) are to be made in the table in paragraph 1, a) of the Resolution. They are ~~struck out~~ below:

State	Quota
Botswana	130
Central African Republic	40
Ethiopia	500
Kenya	80
Malawi	50
Mozambique	120
Namibia	250
South Africa	150
Uganda	28
United Republic of Tanzania	500
Zambia	300
Zimbabwe	500

Recommendations of the Standing Committee: renewal of Decisions 17.114 to 17.117

14. Renewed draft decisions on *Quotas for leopard hunting trophies* are presented in Annex 1 to the present document. They contain a renewed request to Parties which have quotas established under Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16¹) and which have not yet provided relevant information to the Animals Committee, to review the non-detrimental nature of these quotas and share the details and outcomes of the review with the Animals Committee for its evaluation and recommendations.

Recommendations of the Secretariat: amendments to Resolution Conf. 9.21 (Rev. CoP13)

15. To address the invitation of the Standing Committee concerning approaches to review quotas for Appendix-I species, taking into consideration the recommendations from the Animals Committee, the Secretariat proposes amendments to the preamble and operational part of Resolution Conf. 9.21 (Rev. CoP13) on *Interpretation and application of quotas for species included in Appendix I*. These amendments are shown in Annex 2 to the present document.

Recommendations

16. The Standing Committee recommends that the Conference of the Parties:
- adopt the amendments to Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16) on *Quotas for leopard hunting trophies and skins for personal use* proposed in paragraph 13, as to remove Kenya and Malawi from this Resolution;
 - renew Decisions 17.114 to 17.117 on *Quotas for leopard hunting trophies* as proposed in Annex 1; and
 - adopt the amendments to Resolution Conf. 9.21 (Rev. CoP13) on *Interpretation and application of quotas for species included in Appendix I* proposed in Annex 2.

COMMENTS OF THE SECRETARIAT

- A. The Secretariat notes that the First Meeting of Range States for the Joint CITES–CMS African Carnivores Initiative (ACI1, Bonn, November 2018) brought together 31 range States of African carnivores, including most of the leopard range States concerned by the implementation of Decision 17.114 (i.e. Botswana,

Ethiopia, Kenya, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, Uganda, the United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe).

- B. At AC11, the participants reviewed the draft decisions on *Quotas for leopard hunting trophies* proposed by the Standing Committee, shown in Annex 1 to the present document.
- C. The range States proposed a number of additional recommendations at AC11 that take into consideration the recommendations made by the Animals Committee at AC30 (see paragraph 9), and which the Secretariat broadly supports. These reflect support for the development of a *Roadmap for the Conservation of the Leopard in Africa* by the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN), and the need for guidance that can assist Parties in the making of NDFs for trade in leopard hunting trophies. The recommendations emanating from AC11 also reflect the recommendation of the Animals Committee to encourage the exchange of information among range States with quotas for leopard so that lessons learnt, and success stories can be multiplied and used in all range States concerned. To complement the draft decisions proposed by the Standing Committee in Annex 1 with the recommendations emanating from AC11, the Secretariat proposes that the following underlined items be added:

Directed to Parties with quotas established under Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16)

18.BB All Parties which have quotas for leopard hunting trophies established under Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16) are encouraged to exchange information and lessons learnt regarding the process for determining that such quotas are non-detrimental to the survival of the species in the wild.

Directed to the Animals Committee

18.DD The Animals Committee shall review any information submitted by the Secretariat under Decision 18.FF, and make recommendations to the Secretariat and leopard range States, as appropriate.

18.DD The Animals Committee shall review the *Roadmap for the Conservation of the Leopard in Africa* by the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN), and make recommendations, as appropriate, concerning the aspects of it that relate to the implementation of CITES.

Directed to the Secretariat

18.FF The Secretariat shall, subject to external funding:

[...]

b) encourage and support all Parties with quotas for leopard hunting trophies established under Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16) to exchange information and lessons learnt regarding the process for determining that such quotas are non-detrimental to the survival of the species in the wild; and

c) in cooperation with range States and relevant experts, develop guidance that can assist Parties in the making of non-detriment findings for trade in leopard hunting trophies in compliance with Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16), share the draft guidance with the Animals Committee for its review, make such guidance available on the CITES website and encourage its use by relevant Parties.

18.GG The Secretariat shall share with the Animals Committee the *Roadmap for the Conservation of the Leopard in Africa* by IUCN for its review.

A consolidated set of draft decisions, including these amendments proposed by the Secretariat, is presented in Annex 3 to the present document.

- D. In the context of the African Carnivore Initiative and recognizing that leopards may be the least studied of the four species concerned, the participants to AC11 furthermore agreed:

- i) to support the further development by IUCN of a *Roadmap for the Conservation of the Leopard in Africa*, which should involve: consultations with all leopard range States in Africa; consultation with relevant stakeholders and experts concerned by the conservation and management of leopards in Africa; sharing of advanced versions to African range States for their review and approval; consultation with, and review of the Roadmap by the CITES Animals Committee and the Scientific Council of the Convention on Migratory Species (CMS); and submission to the 13th meeting of the Conference of Parties of CMS in 2020; and
 - ii) that there was need for improving the capacity of range States of leopard, African lion, cheetah and African wild dog to monitor populations of these species, which should be addressed by developing and promoting the use of guidance for robust, cost-effective and reliable monitoring for the four species covered under the ACI; this work should be included in the ACI work programme, to be developed and implemented by CMS and CITES.
- E. The Secretariat's proposed amendments to Resolution Conf. 9.21 (Rev. CoP13) on *Interpretation and application of quotas for species included in Appendix I* are shown in Annex 2.
- F. The Secretariat recommends that the Conference of the Parties:
- i) adopt the amendments to Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16), as proposed by the Standing Committee in paragraph 13;
 - ii) adopt the amendments to Resolution Conf. 9.21 (Rev. CoP13), as proposed by the Secretariat in Annex 2;
 - iii) adopt the draft decisions on *Quotas for leopard hunting trophies*, as proposed by the Secretariat in Annex 3, and which include the revised decisions proposed by the Standing Committee in Annex 1; and
 - iv) agree to delete Decisions 17.114 to 17.117.
- G. An estimation of the external resources that would be needed to implement the draft decisions proposed in Annex 3 is shown in Annex 4.

Draft decisions on Quotas for leopard hunting trophies

Proposals by the Standing Committee

(changes are underlined; text to be removed is ~~struck-out~~)

Directed to Parties with quotas established under Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16¹)

17.114 (Rev. CoP18) Parties which have quotas established under Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16¹) on *Quotas for leopard hunting trophies and skins for personal use, and which did not yet provide relevant information to the Animals Committee (Botswana, the Central African Republic and Ethiopia)*, are requested to review these quotas, and consider whether these quotas are still set at levels which are non-detrimental to the survival of the species in the wild, and to share the outcomes of the review and the basis for the determination that the quota is not detrimental, with the Animals Committee at its ~~30th~~31st meeting.

Directed to the Animals Committee

17.115 (Rev. CoP18) The Animals Committee shall consider the information submitted by the relevant range States under Decision 17.114 (Rev. CoP18) and any other relevant information, and, if necessary, make any recommendations to these range States and to the Standing Committee relating to the review.

Directed to the Secretariat

17.116 (Rev. CoP18) The Secretariat shall, subject to external ~~funding resources~~, support the reviews to be undertaken by range States referred to in Decision 17.114 (Rev. CoP18), upon request by a range State.

Directed to the Standing Committee

17.117 (Rev. CoP18) The Standing Committee should consider any recommendations of the Animals Committee made in accordance with Decision 17.115 (Rev. CoP18), and make its own recommendations, as appropriate, for consideration at the ~~18th~~19th meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

¹ In case the revisions to Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16) that are being proposed by the Standing Committee are adopted at CoP18, the correct reference to the Resolution in these draft decisions should be "Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP18)".

Revision of Resolution Conf. 9.21 (Rev. CoP13) on *Interpretation and application of quotas for species included in Appendix I*

Proposals by the Secretariat at the request of the Standing Committee
(new text is underlined; text to be removed is ~~struck-out~~)

Resolution Conf. 9.21 (Rev. CoP13~~8~~)*: Interpretation and application of quotas for species included in Appendix I

RECALLING Resolution Conf. 6.7, adopted at the sixth meeting of the Conference of the Parties (Ottawa, 1987), calling on Parties to consult with range States prior to taking stricter domestic measures pursuant to Article XIV which may interfere with trade in wild animals and plants, and Resolution Conf. 8.21 (Rev. CoP16)², adopted at the eighth meeting of the Conference of the Parties (Kyoto, 1992) and revised at its 16th meeting (Bangkok, 2013), requiring consultation between proposing States and range States;

RECALLING Resolution Conf. 8.3 (Rev. CoP13), adopted at the eighth meeting of the Conference of the Parties and amended at the 13th meeting (Bangkok, 2004), recognizing the benefits of the use of wildlife, Resolution Conf. 16.7 (Rev. CoP17) on *Non-detriment findings*, adopted at the 16th meeting of the Conference of the Parties (Bangkok, 2013) and amended at its 17th meeting (Johannesburg, 2016), and Resolution Conf. 17.9 on *Trade in hunting trophies of species listed in Appendix I or II*, adopted at the 17th meeting of the Conference of the Parties (Johannesburg, 2016);

RECALLING Resolution Conf. 10.15 (Rev. CoP14) on *Establishment of quotas for markhor hunting trophies* adopted at the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties and amended at the 14th meeting (The Hague, 2007), Resolution Conf. 13.5 (Rev. CoP14) on *Establishment of export quotas for black rhinoceros hunting trophies*, adopted at the thirteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties and amended at the 14th meeting (The Hague, 2007), and Resolution 10.14 (Rev. CoP16)¹ on *Quotas for leopard hunting trophies and skins for personal use*, adopted at the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties and amended at the 16th meeting (Bangkok, 2013);

RECALLING in particular the Preamble to the Convention which states that peoples and States are and should be the best protectors of their own wild fauna and flora;

RECALLING Resolution Conf. 4.6 (Rev. CoP17)³, adopted at the fourth meeting of the Conference of the Parties (Gaborone, 1983) and amended at the 10th, 12th, 13th, 15th and 16th meetings (Harare, 1997; Santiago, 2002; Bangkok, 2004; Doha, 2010; Bangkok, 2013), which recommends that the text of any document submitted for consideration at a meeting of the Conference of the Parties be communicated to the Secretariat at least 150 days before the meeting;

RECOGNIZING the supreme importance of cooperative and mutual action as called for at the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development in 1992 at Rio de Janeiro and as embodied in the Convention on Biological Diversity;

AWARE that the Parties have set quotas for the export of specimens of species included in Appendix I, such as cheetah (*Acinonyx jubatus*), markhor (*Capra falconeri*), black rhinoceros (*Diceros bicornis*) and leopard (*Panthera pardus*); ~~the leopard (*Panthera pardus*), various crocodylians, and the cheetah (*Acinonyx jubatus*);~~

AWARE that it is the understanding and practice of the majority of Parties that the establishment of quotas by the Parties satisfies the required findings that the export of a specimen will not be detrimental to the survival of the species, ~~and~~ that the import of that specimen will not be for purposes detrimental to the survival of the species,

² Corrected by the Secretariat following the 16th meeting of the Conference of the Parties: originally referred to Resolution Conf. 8.21.

³ Corrected by the Secretariat following the 15th, 16th and 17th meetings of the Conference of the Parties: originally referred to Resolution Conf. 4.6 (Rev. CoP13).

and that the import of a specimen is not to be used for primarily commercial purposes, provided that the export is within the limits set in the quota;

AWARE however that the failure of some Parties to adhere to this majority understanding has had negative consequences on the conservation of species by range States;

CONSIDERING that the Animals Committee can play an important advisory role in the determination of whether a quota set for a species included in Appendix I is non-detrimental to its survival;

THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE CONVENTION

1. AGREES that:

- a) a Party wishing the Conference of the Parties to establish a quota for a species included in Appendix I, or to amend an existing quota, should submit its proposal to the Secretariat, with supporting information including details of the scientific basis for the proposed quota, at least 150 days before a meeting of the Conference of the Parties; and
- b) whenever the Conference of the Parties has set an export quota for a particular species included in Appendix I, this action by the Parties satisfies the requirements of Article III regarding the findings by the appropriate Scientific Authorities that the export will not be detrimental to the survival of the species, ~~and that the purposes of the import will not be detrimental to the survival of the species, and that the import is not to be used for primarily commercial purposes,~~ provided that the quota is not exceeded.
 - i) ~~the quota is not exceeded; and~~
 - ii) ~~no new scientific or management data have emerged to indicate that the population of the species in the range State concerned can no longer sustain the agreed quota.~~

2. INSTRUCTS the Standing Committee and the Animals Committee to keep under review quotas for species included in Appendix I established by the Conference of the Parties, and if new scientific or management data have emerged to indicate that the population of the species in the range State concerned can no longer sustain the agreed quota, consult with that range State in order to find a solution to the concerns raised.

Consolidated draft decisions on *Quotas for leopard hunting trophies*

Proposals by the Secretariat to address recommendations from the Standing Committee and from the First meeting of range States for the Joint CITES-CMS African Carnivores Initiative

Directed to Parties with quotas established under Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP18)

- 18.AA Parties which have quotas established under Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP18) on *Quotas for leopard hunting trophies and skins for personal use*, and which did not yet provide relevant information to the Animals Committee (Botswana, the Central African Republic and Ethiopia), are requested to review these quotas and consider whether these quotas are still set at levels which are non-detrimental to the survival of the species in the wild, and to share the outcomes of the review and the basis for the determination that the quota is not detrimental, with the Animals Committee at its 31st meeting.
- 18.BB All Parties which have quotas for leopard hunting trophies established under Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP18) are encouraged to exchange information and lessons learnt regarding the process for determining that such quotas are non-detrimental to the survival of the species in the wild.

Directed to the Animals Committee

- 18.CC The Animals Committee shall consider the information submitted by the relevant range States under Decision 18.AA and any other relevant information, and, if necessary, make any recommendations to these range States and to the Standing Committee relating to the review.
- 18.DD The Animals Committee shall review any information submitted by the Secretariat under Decision 18.FF, and make recommendations to the Secretariat and leopard range States, as appropriate.
- 18.EE The Animals Committee shall review the *Roadmap for the Conservation of the Leopard in Africa* by the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN), and make recommendations, as appropriate, concerning the aspects of it that relate to the implementation of CITES.

Directed to the Secretariat

- 18.FF The Secretariat shall, subject to external resources:
- a) support the reviews to be undertaken by range States referred to in Decision 18.AA, upon request by a range State;
 - b) encourage and support all Parties with quotas for leopard hunting trophies established under Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP18) to exchange information and lessons learnt regarding the process for determining that such quotas are non-detrimental to the survival of the species in the wild; and
 - c) in cooperation with range States and relevant experts, develop guidance that can assist Parties in the making of non-detriment findings for trade in leopard hunting trophies in compliance with Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP18), share the draft guidance with the Animals Committee for its review, make such guidance available on the CITES website, and encourage its use by relevant Parties.
- 18.GG The Secretariat shall share with the Animals Committee the *Roadmap for the Conservation of the Leopard in Africa* by IUCN for its review.

Directed to the Standing Committee

- 18.HH The Standing Committee should consider any recommendations of the Animals Committee made in accordance with Decision 18.CC, and make its own recommendations, as appropriate, for consideration at the 19th meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

TENTATIVE BUDGET AND SOURCE OF FUNDING
FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF DRAFT DECISIONS

According to Resolution Conf. 4.6 (Rev. CoP16) on *Submission of draft resolutions, draft decisions and other documents for meetings of the Conference of the Parties*, the Conference of the Parties decided that any draft resolutions or decisions submitted for consideration at a meeting of the Conference of the Parties that have budgetary and workload implications for the Secretariat or permanent committees must contain or be accompanied by a budget for the work involved and an indication of the source of funding.

In the table below, the Secretariat proposes a tentative budget for implementing the draft decisions shown in Annex 3. No source of funding has been identified, but this could be explored in the context of the Joint CITES-CMS African Carnivores Initiative and its Programme of Work (see document CoP18 Doc. 96).

Decision	Activity	Cost implications (USD)
18.FF	<p>The Secretariat shall, subject to external resources:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) support the reviews to be undertaken by range States referred to in Decision 18.AA, upon request by a range State; b) encourage and support all Parties with quotas for leopard hunting trophies established under Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP18) to exchange information and lessons learnt regarding the process for determining that such quotas are non-detrimental to the survival of the species in the wild; and c) in cooperation with range States and relevant experts, develop guidance that can assist Parties in the making of non-detriment findings for trade in leopard hunting trophies in compliance with Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP18), share the draft guidance with the Animals Committee for its review, make such guidance available on the CITES website, and encourage its use by relevant Parties. 	<p>20,000 - 30,000 USD per country requesting assistance</p> <p>If a workshop is organized in support of the making of NDFs: Medium sized meeting: 50,000 - 70,000 USD; Secretariat staff travel: 5,000 USD</p> <p>Guidance development: 20,000 - 40,000 USD</p> <p>Total estimate: 115,000 – 145,000 USD</p>