

Short title	Source	Reference	Directed to	Send to	Used by	Text of requirement	Deadline	Reporting format	Consequence of not fulfilling requirement
Annual report	Convention	Article VIII paragraph 7 Res. Conf. 11.17 (Rev. CoP17)	All Parties	Secretariat		Para. 1 of Res Conf 11.17 (Rev CoP17): 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, as may be amended with the concurrence of the Standing Committee;	31 October of following year (31/10/2017 for 2016)	Notification 2017/006	Para. 15 of Res. Conf. 11.17 (Rev. CoP17): Trade suspension imposed for those Parties not complying with reporting requirement for 3 consecutive years.
Implementation report	Convention	Article VIII paragraph 7 Res. Conf. 11.17 (Rev. CoP17) Res. Conf. 17.6	All Parties	Secretariat		Para. 2 of Res Conf 11.17 (Rev CoP17): URGES all Parties to submit their reports required under the provisions of Article VIII, paragraph 7 (b), one year before each meeting of the Conference of the Parties, beginning with the 17th meeting of the Conference of the Parties and in accordance with the report format distributed by the Secretariat, as may be amended by the Secretariat from time to time with the concurrence of the Standing Committee;	31 October 2018 for 2015-2017	Notification 2016/006	Para. 15 of Res. Conf. 14.3: Biannual reports are among the means of monitoring compliance with the Convention. No compliance measures have been taken to date related to lack of compliance with the reporting requirement
Annual illegal trade report	Resolution	Res. Conf. 11.17 (Rev CoP17) Res. Conf. 11.3 (Rev. CoP17)	All Parties	Secretariat		Para. 3: URGES all Parties, commencing in 2017, to submit an annual illegal trade report by 31 October each year covering actions in the preceding year and in accordance with the report format distributed by the Secretariat, as may be amended by the Secretariat from time to time with the concurrence of the Standing Committee;	31 October of following year (31/10/2017 for 2016)	Notification 2016/007 and Notification 2017/040 on the DRAFT Guidelines for the preparation and submission of the CITES annual illegal trade report	Not subject to compliance measures, decided by SC66
Follow-up to reports	Convention	Article XII paragraph 2 d)	All Parties	Secretariat		Article XII para. 2 d): The functions of the Secretariat shall be: d) to study the reports of Parties and to request from Parties such further information with respect thereto as it deems necessary to ensure implementation of the present Convention;	Ongoing		Res. Conf. 14.3
Reservations	Convention	Article XV paragraph 3 Article XVI paragraph 2 Article XXIII Res. Conf. 9.25 (Rev. CoP17)	All Parties	Depositary Government (Switzerland)		Article XV.3: During the period of 90 days provided for by sub-paragraph (c) of paragraph 1 or sub-paragraph (l) of paragraph 2 of this Article any Party may by notification in writing to the Depositary Government make a reservation with respect to the amendment. Until such reservation is withdrawn the Party shall be treated as a State not a Party to the present Convention with respect to trade in the species concerned.	90 days after CoP		Reservations not accepted for deposit.
National legislation project	Resolution	Res. Conf. 8.4 (Rev. CoP15)	All Parties	Secretariat	Standing Committee	Para. 2: URGES all Parties that have not adopted appropriate measures for effective implementation of the Convention to do so and inform the Secretariat when such measures have been adopted	As soon as measures have been adopted	See NLP page	Compliance measures, including trade suspension
Ranching	Resolution	Res. Conf. 11.16 (Rev. CoP15)	All Parties with approved ranching operations	Secretariat		Para. 5: RECOMMENDS that: a) annual reports on all relevant aspects of each approved ranching operation be submitted to the Secretariat by the Party concerned, including the following: i) the status of the wild population concerned established by monitoring at an appropriate frequency and with sufficient precision to allow recognition of changes in population size and structure owing to ranching; ii) the number of specimens (eggs, young or adults) taken annually from the wild and the percentage of this offtake used to supply ranching operations; and iii) details of the annual production levels, and product types and quantity produced for export;	Annually/ongoing	See Reports page	Possibility of transfer of population concerned back to Appendix I
Artificial agarwood production	Resolution	Res. Conf. 16.10	All Parties that export pure or mixed oil of agarwood	Secretariat	All Parties	Para. 8: RECOMMENDS exporting States to establish a registration system of exporters who export pure or mixed oil of agarwood. Samples of the labels used and lists of relevant exporters should be communicated to the Secretariat by exporting States, and then be provided to all Parties through a Notification;	Ongoing	Not specified.	None decided so far.

Caviar processing / re-packaging plants	Resolution	Res. Conf 12.7 (Rev. CoP17)	Range states of the species in the Order Acipenseriformes	Secretariat		Para. 2 a): RECOMMENDS, with regard to regulating trade in sturgeon products, that: a) each importing, exporting and re-exporting Party establish, where consistent with national law, a registration system for facilities producing caviar, including aquaculture operations that process and package caviar and those facilities that re-package caviar in its territory and provide to the Secretariat the list of these facilities and their official registration codes and clearly state whether it is a processing or a repackaging plant. Where consistent with the national registration system, Parties should add 'P' to registration numbers for 'processing and packaging plants' and 'R' for 'repackaging plants'. Where appropriate, Parties should, on a voluntary basis, include, in their notification of caviar-processing aquaculture plants, the sturgeon or paddlefish species used in the respective processing plant. The list should be updated when changes occur and communicated to the Secretariat without delay. The Secretariat should include this information in its register on the CITES website;	Ongoing		None decided so far.
Compliance	Convention	Article XIII Res. Conf. 14.3 Res. Conf. 11.3 (Rev. CoP17)	All Parties	Secretariat	Standing Committee	Para. 4 a) of Res. Conf. 11.3 (Rev. CoP17): RECOMMENDS that: a) when, in application of Article XIII of the Convention and Resolution Conf. 14.3 on CITES compliance procedures, the Secretariat requests information on a potential compliance matter, Parties reply within one month or, if this is impossible, acknowledge within the month and indicate a date, even an approximate one, by which they consider it will be possible to provide the information requested;	Ongoing		Compliance measures to be adopted by the Standing Committee, including possible trade suspension
Enforcement authorities	Resolution	Res. Conf. 11.3 (Rev. CoP17)	All Parties	Secretariat		Para. 9 c): RECOMMENDS that: c) Parties, as a matter of urgency, inform the Secretariat of contact details of their relevant national law-enforcement agencies responsible for investigating illegal trafficking in wild fauna and flora;	Ongoing	Email to info@cites.org	None decided so far.
Export quotas	Resolution	Res. Conf. 14.7 (Rev. CoP15)	All Parties	Secretariat		Para. 15 of the Annex: In accordance with Resolution Conf. 12.3 (Rev. CoP17), Parties should inform the CITES Secretariat of their nationally established export quotas and of revisions of such quotas. Such information can be provided at any time but, as far as possible, should be communicated at least 30 days before the start of the period to which the export quota relates.	Ongoing		None decided so far.
Lost permits	Resolution	Res. Conf. 12.3 (Rev. CoP17)	All Parties	Secretariat		Para. 3 s): RECOMMENDS that: s) when a permit or certificate has been cancelled, lost, stolen or destroyed, the issuing Management Authority immediately inform the Management Authority of the country of destination, as well as the Secretariat regarding commercial shipments;	Ongoing	None	None decided so far.
Management and scientific authorities	Convention	Article IX	All Parties	Depositary Government (Switzerland) & The Secretariat		Article IX paragraph 2: A State depositing an instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession shall at that time inform the Depositary Government of the name and address of the Management Authority authorized to communicate with other Parties and with the Secretariat. Article IX paragraph 3: Any changes in the designations or authorizations under the provisions of this Article shall be communicated by the Party concerned to the Secretariat for transmission to all other Parties.	When joining and when MA and SA change		None decided so far.
Nurseries	Resolution	Res. Conf. 9.19 (Rev. CoP15)	All Parties with	Secretariat		Para. 1 b): RESOLVES that: b) any Management Authority that wishes to register any commercial nursery artificially propagating specimens of species included in Appendix I for export purposes shall provide to the Secretariat, for inclusion in its Register, all appropriate information to obtain and maintain the registration of each such nursery;	Ongoing	Standard reporting format provided in Annexes 1 and 2 of Res. Conf. 9.19 (Rev. CoP15)	None decided so far.
Personal and household effects	Convention	Article VII paragraph 3 Notification 2006/041	All Parties	Secretariat		Notification 2006/041: In Notification to the Parties No. 2005/016 of 22 March 2005 on Party-specific information, the Secretariat reminded Parties of the need to advise it whether export permits are needed for the movement of personal effects of Appendix-II species. [...] The Secretariat urges Parties that have not yet done so to provide information on their legislation or practice regarding personal and household effects.	Ongoing	none	None decided so far.

Hunting trophies as personal and household effect	Resolution	Res. Conf. 13.7 (Rev. CoP17)	All Parties	Secretariat		Para. 3 b) iii): AGREES that Parties shall: b) not require export permits or re-export certificates, for personal or household effects which are dead specimens, parts or derivatives of Appendix-II species except: iii) bilateral written arrangements for cross-border trade between neighbouring countries that include the required findings in Article IV of the Convention and other means of monitoring trade in hunting trophies, provided that such arrangements have been duly notified to the CITES Secretariat, and with the condition that the specimen at the time of import, export or re-export was worn, carried or included in the hunter's personal baggage;	Ongoing	None	None decided so far.
Personally owned live animals	Resolution	Res. Conf. 10.20	All Parties	Secretariat		Para. 1 n): RECOMMENDS that: n) Parties maintain records of the number of certificates of ownership issued under this Resolution and if possible include the certificate numbers and the scientific names of the species concerned in their annual reports.	Ongoing	None	None decided so far.
Regional reports	Resolution	Res. Conf. 11.1 (Rev. CoP17)	AC/PC/SC regional representatives (all Parties to contribute)	Secretariat	AC/PC/SC	Para. 4 g) of Annex 2: RESOLVES that the duties of members elected by the regions of the Animals and Plants Committees and their alternates are as follows: g) the members should submit a written report, covering the preceding period, to each meeting of the Committee;	60 days before each AC and PC meeting	Informal models have been shared amongst members.	None decided so far.
Registered captive-breeding operations	Resolution	Res. Conf. 12.10 (Rev. CoP15)	All Parties which have commercial breeding operations for Appendix I species	Secretariat	Register	Para. 5 c): RESOLVES that: c) the Management Authority shall provide the Secretariat with appropriate information to obtain, and to maintain, the registration of each captive-breeding operation as set out in Annex 1;	Ongoing	Annex 3 of Res. Conf. 12.10 (Rev. CoP15)	None decided so far.
Registered scientific institutions	Convention	Article VII paragraph 6 Res. Conf. 11.15 (Rev. CoP12)	All Parties	Secretariat		Para. 3 a) ii): RECOMMENDS that: e) Parties implement the exemption for scientific exchange in Article VII, paragraph 6, as follows: ii) each Management Authority should communicate to the Secretariat as soon as practicable the names and addresses of those scientific institutions so registered, and the Secretariat without delay then communicate this information to all other Parties;	Ongoing		None decided so far.
Sample documents	Resolution	Res. Conf. 12.3 (Rev. CoP17)	All Parties	Secretariat		Para. 3 p): RECOMMENDS that: p) Parties that have not yet done so communicate to the Secretariat the names of the persons empowered to sign permits and certificates, as well as three specimens of their signatures, and that all the Parties communicate, within one month of any change thereto, the names of persons who have been added to the list of those already empowered to sign, the names of persons whose signatures are no longer valid and the dates the changes took effect; Para. 13 b): RECOMMENDS that: b) any Party using phytosanitary certificates as certificates of artificial propagation inform the Secretariat and provide copies of the certificates, stamps, seals, etc. that are used; Para. 15 c): RECOMMENDS that: c) Parties send to the Secretariat copies of permits, electronic and paper, issued for species subject to quotas if so requested by the Conference of the Parties, the Standing Committee or the Secretariat;	Ongoing	Notification 2015/001 on Sample permits and certificates and signature specimens	None decided so far.
Stricter domestic measures	Resolution	Article XIV paragraph 1 Res. Conf. 4.22 Res. Conf. 6.7 Res. Conf. 12.3 (Rev. CoP17)	All Parties	Secretariat		Para. 3 r) of Res. Conf. 12.3 (Rev. CoP17): r) each Party inform the other Parties, direct or through the Secretariat, of any stricter internal measures it has taken under Article XIV, paragraph 1 (a), of the Convention, and that, when a Party is informed of this, it refrain from issuing permits and certificates that run counter to these measures;	Ongoing	None	None decided so far.

Review of significant trade	Resolution	Res. Conf. 12.8 (Rev. CoP17)	Selected Parties	Secretariat	AC/PC/SC	Para. 1 d) i): the Secretariat shall: i) within 30 days after the meeting of the Animals or Plants Committee at which species/country combinations are selected, or within 30 days after the Committee has selected a species/country combination on an exceptional basis, notify selected range States that their species has been selected, providing an overview of the review process and an explanation for the selection. The Secretariat shall request range States to provide the scientific basis by which it is established that exports from their country are not detrimental to the survival of the species concerned and are compliant with Article IV, paragraphs 2 (a), 3 and 6 (a) of the Convention. In its letter, the Secretariat shall provide guidance to range States on how to respond, explain the consequences of not responding to the request, and inform the range States that the responses will be made available on the CITES website as part of the agenda for meetings of the Animals or Plants Committee. Range States shall be given 60 days to respond;	Range States consulted over implementation of Article IV given 60 days to respond. Responses to preliminary categorization also required within 60 days. Deadlines for implementation of recommendations between 90 days and 2 years.	Guidance to range States in document CoP17 Doc. 33, Annex 4	Possibility of measures concerning trade in the affected species from that State
Non-detriment findings	Resolution	Res. Conf. 16.7 (Rev. CoP17)	All Parties	Secretariat	Website	Para. 2 b) and c): ENCOURAGES Parties to: b) share experiences and examples of ways of making non-detriment findings, including through appropriate regional or subregional workshops, and communicate them to the Secretariat; c) request the Secretariat to make available these examples on the CITES web site;	Ongoing	Not applicable.	None decided so far.
World Wildlife Day	Resolution	Res. Conf. 17.1	All Parties	Secretariat		Para. 2: INVITES all Parties and non-party States, national and international organizations with an interest in wildlife conservation, to associate celebrations of World Wildlife Day to national, regional and international conservation events, where appropriate, and to communicate the planned activities to the Secretariat in advance;	Ongoing	Notification 2017/001	None decided so far.
Convicted traders	Resolution	Res. Conf. 11.3 (Rev. CoP17)	All Parties	???		Para. 9 m): RECOMMENDS that: m) Parties inform the Secretariat, when possible, about convicted illegal traders and persistent offenders;	Ongoing		None decided so far.
Significant cases of illegal trade	Resolution	Res. Conf. 11.3 (Rev. CoP17) Notification 2009/028	All Parties	Secretariat		Para. 9 k): RECOMMENDS that: k) Parties provide to the Secretariat, as appropriate, and in a manner that would not jeopardize any ongoing investigations or expose covert investigative techniques, detailed information regarding significant cases of illegal trade;	Ongoing	Ecomessage form	None decided so far.
Asian big cats	Resolution	Res. Conf. 12.5 (Rev. CoP17)	All Parties, particularly Appendix-I Asian big cat range States	Secretariat		Para. 1 d): URGES that: d) all range States and other relevant Parties to implement systems for the recording of information relating to illegal trade in Asian big cats and to share this information as appropriate to ensure coordinated investigations and enforcement; Para. 2 a): INSTRUCTS the Secretariat to: a) report to the Standing Committee and the Conference of the Parties on the status of Asian big cats in the wild, their conservation, and trade controls in place in Parties, using information provided by the range States on measures taken to comply with this Resolution and related relevant Decisions and any relevant additional information provided by relevant countries;	Ongoing		None decided so far.
Cetaceans	Resolution	Res. Conf. 11.4 (Rev. CoP12)	All Parties	Secretariat		Para. 12: URGES every country concerned to submit to the CITES Secretariat any information relevant to its inventory of whale parts and derivatives and to examination of unknown whale products, for dissemination by the Secretariat to interested Parties upon request;	Ongoing		None decided so far.

Elephants	Resolution	Res. Conf. 10.10 (Rev. CoP17)	All Parties and range States	Secretariat	<p>Para. 6 e): FURTHER URGES those Parties in whose jurisdiction there is an ivory carving industry, a legal domestic trade in ivory, an unregulated market for or illegal trade in ivory, or where ivory stockpiles exist, and Parties designated as ivory importing countries, to ensure that they have put in place comprehensive internal legislative, regulatory, enforcement and other measures to:</p> <p>e) maintain an inventory of government-held stockpiles of ivory and, where possible, of significant privately held stockpiles of ivory within their territory, and inform the Secretariat of the level of this stock each year before 28 February, inter alia to be made available to the programme Monitoring the Illegal Killing of Elephants (MIKE) and the Elephant Trade Information System (ETIS) for their analyses, indicating the number of pieces and their weight per type of ivory (raw or worked); for relevant pieces, and if marked, their markings in accordance with the provisions of this Resolution; the source of the ivory; and the reasons for any significant changes in the stockpile compared to the preceding year;</p> <p>Para. 20 b): RECOMMENDS that:</p> <p>b) each export quota be communicated to the CITES Secretariat in writing by 1 December for the following calendar year (1 January to 31 December); Details of submitting information to the MIKE and ETIS programmes are provided in Annexes 1 and 2 of Res. Conf. 10.10 (Rev. CoP17)</p>	(i) raw ivory stocks each year before 28 February. (ii) export quota by 1 December for the next calendar year (1 January to 31 December); (iii) information on tusks exported to be provided with annual report (ID marks, etc)	Notification 2017/008	if the quota is not submitted by the deadline, the State in question have a zero quota until such time as it communicates its quota in writing to the Secretariat and the Secretariat in turn notifies the Parties; Remedial action will be determined by Standing Committee and CoP.
Elephants (domestic ivory markets)	Resolution	Res. Conf. 10.10 (Rev. CoP17)	All Parties and range States	Secretariat	<p>Para. 8: REQUESTS Parties to inform the Secretariat of the status of the legality of their domestic ivory markets and efforts to implement the provisions of this Resolution, including efforts to close those markets that contribute to poaching or illegal trade;</p>	Ongoing	Not available.	Standing Committee to review measures taken by Parties to implement these and other provisions in the resolution, and make targeted recommendations as appropriate (which may include NIAPs).
Elephant seizures	Resolution	Res. Conf. 10.10 (Rev. CoP17)	All Parties	Secretariat	<p>Para. 23: RECOMMENDS that Parties share with the Secretariat and source countries information on the origin or age of seized ivory specimens arising from forensic analysis of samples to facilitate investigations and prosecutions, and for analysis by MIKE and ETIS in their reporting to the Standing Committee and the Conference of the Parties;</p>	Ongoing	Not available.	Standing Committee to review measures taken by Parties to implement these and other provisions in the resolution, and make targeted recommendations as appropriate (which may include NIAPs).
Elephants (NIAPs)	Resolution	Res. Conf. 10.10 (Rev. CoP17)	range States identified by the MIKE and ETIS reports	Secretariat	<p>Para. 9: FURTHER DIRECTS the Secretariat, with reference to the findings of ETIS, MIKE and its findings on the status of domestic ivory markets, and within available resources:</p> <p>a) to identify those Parties that have unregulated internal markets for ivory, where ivory is found to be illegally traded, where ivory stockpiles are not well secured, or that have significant levels of illegal trade in ivory;</p> <p>b) to seek from each Party so identified information concerning its implementation of the provisions of this Resolution relating to ivory trade and, where appropriate and in consultation with the Party, undertake in situ verification missions; and</p> <p>c) to report its findings and recommendations to the Standing Committee, which may consider recommendations to support the implementation of the present Resolution, including requests to identified Parties to develop and implement National Ivory Action Plans, and monitor progress in executing these Action Plans, in accordance with the Guidelines contained in Annex 3, as well as other appropriate measures in accordance with Resolution Conf. 14.3 on CITES compliance procedures;</p>	Ongoing	Annex 3 of Res. Conf. 10.10 (Rev. CoP17)	Possibility of trade suspension

Rhino general	Resolution	Res. Conf. 9.14 (Rev. CoP17)	range States of African and Asian rhinoceroses, implicated States, other Parties and other stakeholders	Secretariat	CoP	<p>Para. 7: DIRECTS the Secretariat, prior to each meeting of the Conference of the Parties, and pending external funding, to commission the IUCN/SSC African and Asian Rhino Specialist Groups and TRAFFIC to submit a report to the Secretariat on:</p> <p>a) the national and continental conservation status of African and Asian rhinoceros species, b) trade in specimens of rhinoceros, c) stocks of specimens of rhinoceros and stock management, d) incidents of illegal killing of rhinoceroses, e) enforcement issues, f) conservation actions and management strategies with an evaluation of their effectiveness; and g) measures implemented by implicated States to end the illegal use and consumption of rhinoceros parts and derivatives;</p> <p>Para. 8: REQUESTS the IUCN/SSC African and Asian Rhino Specialist Groups and TRAFFIC to engage with range and implicated States as appropriate, as well as with the UNEP World Conservation Monitoring Centre, when producing the report, and to reflect the outcomes of these consultations in their reporting pursuant to this Resolution;</p> <p>Para. 2 e) iii): URGES</p> <p>e) the Parties that are affected by illegal killing of rhinoceroses and the trafficking of rhinoceros horns, either as range or implicated States, to:</p> <p>iii) provide information on the effectiveness of strategies or programmes referred to in subparagraphs e) i) and ii) above, to the IUCN/SSC African and Asian Rhino Specialist Groups and TRAFFIC, to assist in identifying best practices and challenges experienced, and for inclusion into the joint IUCN/TRAFFIC report;</p>	Deadline for submission of CoP documents		None decided so far.
Rhino seizures	Resolution	Res. Conf. 9.14 (Rev. CoP17)	All Parties	Secretariat		<p>Para. 1 e), f) and g): URGES all Parties to:</p> <p>e) immediately bring the seizure of illegal rhinoceros specimens made within their territories:</p> <p>i) to the attention of authorities in countries of origin, transit and destination, as applicable, providing information associated with the seizure, for example on modus operandi, accompanying documentation, any identification marks on the seized specimens, where appropriate the details of the offenders involved, and any other information that could assist the initiation of investigations as appropriate, in countries of origin, transit and destination; or</p> <p>ii) to the attention of the CITES Secretariat in cases where sufficient information is not available to identify the countries of origin, transit and destination of the seized rhinoceros specimens, including information describing the circumstances of the seizure;</p> <p>f) collect samples from rhinoceros horn seized within their territories for forensic analysis, to link such horns to crime scenes and implicated suspects, and to promote successful prosecution;</p> <p>g) use the Form for collection and sharing of data on rhinoceros horn seizures and on samples for forensic analysis provided in the Annex to this Resolution, as a standard format to collect and share information about seizures of rhinoceros specimens, and for the collection of relevant data to accompany samples collected from seized rhinoceros specimens for forensic analyses, in support of the implementation of paragraphs e) i) and ii) and f) above;</p>	Ongoing	Annex of Res. Conf. 9.14 (Rev. CoP17)	None decided so far.
Rhino stocks	Resolution	Res. Conf. 9.14 (Rev. CoP17)	All Parties	Secretariat		<p>Para. 2 a): URGES</p> <p>a) all Parties that have stocks of rhinoceros horn to identify, mark, register and secure such stocks, and declare these to the Secretariat each year before 28 February, in a format to be defined by the Secretariat;</p>	28 February every year	Notification 2017/009	None decided so far.
Sharks	Resolution	Res. Conf. 12.6 (Rev. CoP17)	All Parties	Secretariat	AC	<p>Para. 3: ENCOURAGES Parties to obtain information on implementation of NPOA-Sharks or regional plans, and to report directly on progress to the CITES Secretariat and at future meetings of the Animals Committee;</p>			None decided so far.

Tibetan antelope	Resolution	Res. Conf. 11.8 (Rev. CoP17)	All Parties	Secretariat	Para. 3 c): URGES: c) all Parties immediately bring every seizure of illegal Tibetan antelope wool and its products made within its territory to the attention of authorities in countries of origin, transit and destination, as applicable, and to the attention of the Secretariat; provide available associated information on the seizure to enable follow-up investigations to take place; where appropriate, make full use of the Ecomessage of INTERPOL and existing law enforcement networks, including the World Customs Organization; and report to the Secretariat the progress of follow-up investigations.	Ongoing	Ecomessage form	None decided so far.
Disposal of confiscated live specimens	Resolution	Res. Conf. 17.8	All Parties	Secretariat	Para. 3 c): RECOMMENDS that: the Secretariat be informed about any decision taken on the disposal of confiscated live specimens of species that are either in Appendix I or, if in Appendix II or III, involve commercial quantities;	Ongoing	No	None decided so far.
Snakes	Resolution	Res. Conf. 17.12	All Parties	Secretariat	Para. 19 a) and f): RECOMMENDS that: a) Parties, prior to the implementation of a traceability system for python skins, inventory and tag those skins and provide this information to the Secretariat as a baseline; f) the Secretariat should compile such information on available identification technologies and projects to make them available to Parties;	Ongoing		None decided so far.

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Strategic vision	Decision	17.19	All Parties	Standing Committee Working Group	Standing Committee	Parties are requested to evaluate their efforts in relation to the implementation of the CITES Strategic Vision 2008-2020 and the associated Action Plan and to submit the outcome thereof to the Standing Committee's Strategic Plan Working Group through their regional representatives on that working group.			None decided so far.
Capacity building - implementation	Decision	17.31	All Parties	Secretariat	Secretariat	Parties are encouraged to: b) use the CITES implementation reports, recommended to be introduced in 2018, to inform the Secretariat regularly about their capacity and needs;	31 October 2018 for 2015-2017	Notification 2016/006	None decided so far.
Capacity building - SC69	Decision	17.34	Developing countries and countries in transition	Secretariat	Standing Committee	The Secretariat shall, subject to the availability of external funding where needed: d) issue a Notification to the Parties inviting developing countries and countries with economies in transition to provide to the Secretariat precise information on their capacity-building needs, and report to the Standing Committee at its 69th meeting on the answers received;	1-Aug-17	Notification 2017/038	None decided so far.
Demand reduction	Decision	17.45	Parties that are destinations for illegal wildlife trade	Secretariat	Standing Committee	Parties that are destinations for illegal wildlife trade are encouraged to implement demand-reduction strategies and to report to the Standing Committee on the implementation of this decision.	1-Aug-17	Notification 2017/038	None decided so far.
Demand reduction	Decision	17.46	Parties that have implemented demand reduction strategies and campaigns	Secretariat	Standing Committee	Parties and partners that have implemented demand-reduction strategies and campaigns are encouraged to provide the Secretariat with relevant details on the measures implemented and lessons learnt before the 69th meeting of the Standing Committee, so that these may be shared with other Parties.	1-Aug-17	Notification 2017/038	None decided so far.
Demand reduction	Decision	17.48	Parties that reported against Decision 16.85 para c) (China, Greece, South Africa and Zimbabwe)	Secretariat	Standing Committee	The Secretariat shall, subject to external funding: a) contract a consultant to: i) engage with Parties that reported against Decision 16.85 paragraph c) and any other Parties as may be appropriate to identify best practices and challenges experienced by these Parties in their development and implementation of long-term demand reduction strategies or programmes to combat trafficking in wildlife; and ii) conduct a review of existing demand-reduction studies and material, and the outcomes of demand-reduction workshops and other initiatives that have taken place in recent years;	1-Aug-17	Notification 2017/038	None decided so far.
World Wildlife Day	Decision	17.49	Parties that organized activities for World Wildlife Day	Secretariat	Standing Committee	The Secretariat shall: a) liaise with the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), the World Association of Zoos and Aquariums (WAZA) and other relevant organizations and associations, to seek their support in making the observance of World Wildlife Day a regular event for kindergartens, educational institutions, zoos, botanical gardens, aquariums, nature reserves, national parks and all wildlife-related facilities around the world. b) report at each meeting of the Standing Committee on the celebrations of each World Wildlife Day. c) inform the United Nations General Assembly about the celebration of World Wildlife Day, inter alia, elaborating on the evaluation of the day, as requested.	SC69 and SC70	Notification 2017/001	None decided so far.

CCAMLR	Decision	17.50	Parties that are involved in the harvest of or trade in toothfish, <i>Dissostichus</i> spp., and that are not cooperating with the Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources (CCAMLR)	Secretariat	CCAMLR	The Secretariat shall issue a Notification to the Parties requesting Parties that are involved in the harvest of or trade in toothfish, <i>Dissostichus</i> spp., and that are not cooperating with the Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources (CCAMLR), to submit to the Secretariat a report on their implementation of Resolution Conf. 12.4 on <i>Cooperation between CITES and the Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources regarding trade in toothfish</i> . The Secretariat shall forward to the Secretariat of CCAMLR any information received in response to the Notification.			None decided so far.
IPBES	Decision	16.13 (Rev. CoP17)	All Parties	Secretariat	IPBES	b) Parties are invited to provide inputs to the Secretariat in order to provide timely responses to IPBES in regard to CITES participation.			None decided so far.
GSPC	Decision	17.54	All Parties	UNEP-WCMC	GSPC	The Secretariat shall: b) request the United Nations Environment Programme-World Conservation Monitoring Centre (UNEP-WCMC) to include in its website an interactive version of the online flora, currently available at https://cites.org/sites/default/files/eng/com/pc/22/E-PC22-07-02-Annex5-Rev2.xlsx , in such a way that CITES Parties can maintain it up to date, and thus have a clear idea on CITES contribution to the implementation of Target 1 of the Global Strategy for Plant Conservation (GSPC).	Not provided	Not provided.	None decided so far.
National legislation	Decision	17.58	Parties whose legislation is in Category 2 or 3 under the National Legislation Project (NLP)	Secretariat	Standing Committee	Parties whose legislation is in Category 2 or 3 under the National Legislation Project (NLP) are urged to submit to the Secretariat as soon as possible, and no later than by the 70th meeting of the Standing Committee, in one of the three working languages of the Convention, details of appropriate measures that have been adopted for the effective implementation of the Convention. Such Parties are called on to provide an update of their legislative progress by the 69th meeting of the Standing Committee.	SC69	None (measures to be submitted in original and in one of the working languages of the Convention)	Compliance measures, including possibility of trade suspensions
National legislation	Decision	17.59	Parties whose legislation is in Category 2 or 3 under the National Legislation Project (NLP)	Secretariat	Standing Committee	Such Parties are urged to submit to the Secretariat by 3 January 2017 (i.e. 90 days after the 17th meeting of the Conference of the Parties) a legislative timetable, to be agreed with the Secretariat, if they have not already done so. Such timetables should clearly set out the steps that the Party commits to take in order to adopt appropriate measures to implement the Convention; relevant actors; deadlines and outputs, based on the format provided by the Secretariat.	3-Jan-17	Notification 2016/066 on format for legislative timbetables	None decided so far.
Legal acquisition finding	Decision	17.65	All Parties	Secretariat	?	Parties are encouraged to provide to the Secretariat with: any examples and relevant information regarding methodologies, practical tools, legislative information, forensic expertise and other resources used to monitor compliance with the Convention and to verify the legal acquisition of specimens of CITES-listed species to be exported in accordance with Article III, paragraph 2(b), Article IV, paragraph 2(b), and Article V, paragraph 2(a) of the Convention (referred to as a 'legal acquisition finding').	TBC	None	None decided so far.
NIAP	Decision	17.70	Parties currently in NIAP process	Secretariat	Standing Committee	Parties that have been implementing the National ivory action plans process (NIAPS) at the request of the Standing Committee, should complete the implementation of any NIAP actions in accordance with the Guidelines to the NIAP Process.	SC69	Template provided by the Secretariat	Compliance measures, including possibility of trade suspensions
NIAP	Decision	17.71	New Parties in NIAP process	Secretariat	Standing Committee	New Parties identified in document CoP17 Doc. 57.6 (Rev. 1) on <i>ETIS Report of TRAFFIC</i> , shall, upon the conclusion of the Conference of Parties at its 17th meeting, collaborate with the Secretariat in regards of Step I of the NIAP process as defined in the Guidelines to the NIAP Process.	19-Jan-17		None decided so far.

Community awareness	Decision	17.86	Parties that reported against Decision 16.85 para c) (China, Greece, South Africa and Zimbabwe)	Secretariat	Standing Committee	The Secretariat shall subject to external funding: a) contract a consultant to: i) engage with Parties that reported against Decision 16.85 paragraph c)* and any other Parties as may be appropriate to identify best practices and challenges experienced by these Parties in their implementation of strategies or programmes to enhance community awareness about the economic, social and environmental impacts of trafficking in wildlife, and to encourage the general public to report wildlife trafficking to appropriate authorities for further investigation; ii) conduct a review of existing strategies or programmes to enhance community awareness; and	SC69 SC70		None decided so far.
Cybercrime	Decision	17.92	All Parties with wildlife cybercrime	Secretariat	Website	All Parties should: a) provide the Secretariat with any changes or updates to domestic legislation that pertain to wildlife cybercrime as well as any other relevant domestic measures; b) provide the Secretariat any best practice models that pertain to regulation of online marketplaces and social media platforms, including enforcement protocols; and c) seek input from purveyors and owners of online marketplaces and social media platforms for the purpose of sharing any relevant information with the Secretariat.	31-Jul-17	Notification 2017/036	None decided so far.
Cybercrime	Decision	15.57	All Parties with wildlife cybercrime	Secretariat	Website	Parties are urged to: a) submit information to the CITES Secretariat on best practices and on websites adhering to codes of conduct for posting on the CITES website; b) publish results of scientific research on correlations between use of the Internet and the rate of wildlife crime, and share these results with the CITES Secretariat; c) assess the extent of and trends in commerce of CITES-listed species via the Internet, and submit such information to the Secretariat for analysis; and d) submit information to the CITES Secretariat for analysis on any changes in trade routes and methods of shipment that have been observed as a result of increased use of the Internet to promote trade in wildlife.			None decided so far.
Leopard hunting trophies	Decision	17.114	Parties with quotas for leopard hunting trophies	Secretariat	Animals Committee	Parties, which have quotas, established under Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16) on <i>Quotas for leopard hunting trophies and skins for personal use</i> 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.	AC30	Letters sent	Range State can be subject of AC and SC recommendations, and decisions at CoP
Disposal of confiscated specimens	Decision	17.118	All Parties	Secretariat	Standing Committee	The Secretariat is requested to: a) subject to the availability of external funding, develop a questionnaire to be distributed to Parties or gather information by other means, such as a workshop or oral interviews, which would review the use and usefulness of the guidelines contained in three annexes to the Resolution Conf. 17.8 on Disposal of illegally traded and confiscated specimens of CITES-listed species for Parties in disposal of confiscated live animals and plants as well as evaluate current practice; b) subject to the availability of external funding, conduct an analysis of available data on the disposal of confiscated live animals and plants collected through inter alia the biennial reports or other special reports; and c) submit this information to the Standing Committee for its consideration.	SC69	Online survey	None decided so far.
Rhinos	Decision	17.141	Mozambique Viet Nam	Secretariat	Standing Committee	The Standing Committee shall evaluate the reports submitted by Mozambique and Viet Nam, as called for in the recommendations agreed at its 67th meeting, and shall make additional recommendations as appropriate.	SC69		None decided so far.
Totoaba	Decision	17.146 and 17.148	Range, transit or consumer States of totoaba	Secretariat	Standing Committee	Parties shall submit to the Secretariat information to be made available to the 69th and 70th meetings of the Standing Committee on the number and quantity of seizures of illegal totoaba products, arrests of those engaged in the illegal fishing and trade, results of any prosecutions, and actions taken to implement these decisions.	SC69 SC71		None decided so far.
Traceability	Decision	17.153 and 17.154	Parties with projects on traceability	Standing Committee Working Group	Standing Committee	Parties are invited to: b) inform the working group on the development of projects and on new information related to traceability in response to the Notification issued by the Secretariat under Decision 17.154; The Secretariat shall issue a Notification, requesting Parties to provide information on the development of projects related to traceability.	1-Aug-17	Notification 2017/038	None decided so far.

E-permitting	Decision	17.156	Parties having or planning to have e-permitting	Secretariat		Parties are encouraged to submit to the Secretariat information regarding their planned and ongoing projects related to the use of electronic systems and information technologies in improving the management of CITES trade, and regarding the lessons learned.	30-Jun-17	Notification 2017/041	None decided so far.
ID materials	Decision	17.160	Parties with capacity building and identification materials	Standing Committee Working Group		Parties are encouraged to support the efforts of the working group on capacity building and identification materials by providing to the Secretariat information on available capacity building materials, and identification and guidance materials that are used by Parties, and particularly by enforcement and inspections officers, to facilitate implementation of the Convention.	1-Aug-17	Notification 2017/038	None decided so far.
ID materials	Decision	17.161	Parties with capacity building and identification materials	Secretariat	website	Subject to the availability of funds, the Secretariat is directed to: a) continue compiling information on available identification and guidance materials, and make them available on the CITES Virtual College;	1-Aug-17	Notification 2017/038	None decided so far.
Tiger skins	Decision	17.164	Tiger range States	Secretariat	Standing Committee	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	1-Aug-17	Notification 2017/038	None decided so far.
Timber	Decision	16.58 (Rev. CoP17)	Parties with tools to identify timber and inspect timber shipment	Secretariat	Standing Committee	By the 69th meeting of the Standing Committee, the Secretariat shall: a) obtain information and materials from those Parties that have reported that they have developed tools and procedures for the identification and measurement of CITES-listed tree species, and the physical inspection of timber shipments;	SC69	None (yet)	None decided so far.
Purpose codes	Decision	14.54 (Rev. CoP17)	All Parties	Standing Committee Working Group	Standing Committee	The Standing Committee shall re-establish an intersessional joint working group to review the use of purpose-of-transaction codes by Parties, with the following terms of reference: c) in evaluating the use and definition of purpose-of-transaction codes, the working group shall take into account any difficulties of implementation by Parties and the potential resource implications of inclusion of any new codes or deletion of current purpose-of-transaction codes; and	SC70	None (yet)	None decided so far.
Permits and certificates	Decision	17.173	Parties that use simplified procedures to issue permits and certificates	Secretariat	Standing Committee	The Secretariat shall issue a Notification to the Parties requesting Parties to report on their implementation of, and experiences with the simplified procedures to issue permits and certificates to facilitate and expedite trade that will have a negligible impact, or none, on the conservation of the species concerned, as agreed under Section XII of Resolution Conf. 12.3 (Rev. CoP17) on <i>Permits and certificates</i> , and submit a compilation of this information and its recommendations for consideration by the Standing Committee prior to the 18th meeting of the Conference of the Parties.	SC70	None (yet)	None decided so far.
NDF	Decision	16.53	All Parties	Secretariat	Website	The Secretariat shall: a) invite Parties to submit their experiences and the results from workshops, projects or publications related to the making of non-detriment findings for inclusion in the CITES website; and b) ensure this information is available in other formats (e.g. CD-ROM) where appropriate.	Ongoing. AC and PC meetings used as focus.	Notification 2017/019	None decided so far.

Introduction from the sea	Decision	16.48 (Rev. CoP17) and 16.49 (Rev. CoP17)	Parties implementing Resolution Conf. 14.6 (Rev. CoP16)	Secretariat	Standing Committee	<p>The Secretariat shall report at the 69th or 70th meetings of the Standing Committee on the implementation of the Convention by the Parties concerned in relation to the provision on chartering arrangements provided for in Resolution Conf. 14.6 (Rev. CoP16) on Introduction from the sea.</p> <p>To compile the aforementioned report, the Secretariat shall, where appropriate, approach relevant Parties bilaterally regarding their experience with the implementation of the above mentioned provisions.</p> <p>The report should focus in particular on the conditions under which non-detriment findings are made and permits and certificates are issued, as well as on the relationship between chartering States and States in which the vessel is registered, in performing those tasks. It should especially assess the capacity of chartering States and the States in which the vessels are registered to control compliance with the provisions of the CITES Convention. In that regard, the report should pay special attention to the implementation of the provisions of the Resolution pertaining to the legality of the acquisition and landing of the specimens concerned.</p> <p>The report shall also include any cases where Parties have been unable to take advantage of this provision, including in situations where at least one of the States involved is not party to a relevant Regional Fisheries Management Organization or Arrangement (RFMO/A).</p> <p>Between now and the 18th meeting of the Conference of the Parties, the Secretariat shall further communicate with the Secretariat of the relevant RFMO/A and other relevant international organizations, in particular regarding the implementation of the relevant obligations resulting from these RFMO/As or other international organizations, and share information provided with Parties on a timely basis.</p> <p>Parties taking advantage of the provision on chartering arrangements provided for in Resolution Conf. 14.6 (Rev. CoP16) should provide in a timely manner all information that might be requested from them by the Secretariat in view of the establishment of its report on this issue at the 69th or 70th meeting of the Standing Committee.</p>	SC69 and SC70		None decided so far.
Sturgeons	Decision	17.182	Range States for Acipenseriformes	Secretariat	Animals Committee	All Range States of Acipenseriformes are invited to submit data relating to the content of the table contained in Annex 3 of Resolution 12.7 (Rev. CoP17) on Conservation of and trade in sturgeons and paddlefish to the Secretariat to be considered at the next meeting of the Animals Committee.	AC29	Letters sent	None decided so far.
Eels	Decision	17.186 and 17.187	Range States and Parties involved in trade in Anguilla spp.	Secretariat	Animals Committee	<p>Range States and Parties involved in trade in Anguilla species, in collaboration with the Secretariat and FAO, are encouraged to:</p> <p>b) provide the Secretariat and their consultants with specific information needed for the purposes of completing Decision 17.186 a) and b) as well as the results of the regional meetings; and</p> <p>The Secretariat shall, subject to external funding:</p> <p>a) contract independent consultants to undertake a study compiling information on challenges and lessons learnt with regards to implementation of the Appendix II listing of European Eel (<i>Anguilla anguilla</i>) and its effectiveness. This includes in particular the making of non-detriment findings, enforcement and identification challenges, as well as illegal trade. This study should notably take account of the data compiled and advice issued by the ICES/GFCM/EIFAAC Working Group Eel;</p> <p>b) contract independent consultants to undertake a study on non-CITES listed <i>Anguilla</i> species:</p> <p>i) documenting trade levels and possible changes in trade patterns following the entry into force of the listing of the European Eel in CITES Appendix II in 2009;</p> <p>ii) compiling available data and information on the biology, population status, use and trade in each species, as well as identifying gaps in such data and information, based on the latest available data and taking account inter alia of the Red List assessments by the IUCN Anguillid Eel Specialist Group; and</p> <p>iii) providing recommendations for priority topics for technical workshops based on gaps and challenges identified under i)-ii);</p>	AC29 AC30 SC70	None provided. Notifications to be issued.	None decided so far.

Humphead wrasse	Decision	15.87 (Rev. CoP17)	Relevant Parties??		Standing Committee	The Standing Committee shall: a) review the actions taken by relevant Parties to implement the Appendix-II listing of the humphead wrasse; b) consider whether it is necessary to ask range States and importing States to provide further information on their actions taken to ensure the effective implementation of the Convention regarding trade in this species; c) develop, as appropriate, recommendations for improving the regulation of international trade in the humphead wrasse, and the enforcement of controls, to ensure the effectiveness of the Appendix-II listing of the species; and d) report its conclusions and recommendations for any appropriate follow-up actions at the 18th meeting of the Conference of the Parties.	SC69, SC70, CoP18	No. SC still has to consider requesting further information.	None decided so far.
Corals	Decision	17.190	Precious coral range States	Secretariat	Animals Committee	The Secretariat, subject to external funding, is requested to: a) issue a notification that invites precious coral range States and relevant Regional Fisheries Management Organizations, on a voluntary basis, to complete a questionnaire/survey (Annex 2 of document CoP17 Com. I. 11) to report data on their precious coral resources (black, red, and pink coral species including species within the order Antipatharia, and family Coralliidae), especially current and historical abundance, biological status, management, and any known harvest for domestic or international trade; and	AC29	Notification issued.	None decided so far.
Malagasy Diospyros and Dalbergia	Decision	17.203	Source, transit and destinations Parties for Malagasy Diospyros spp. And Dalbergia spp.	Secretariat	Standing Committee	Source, transit and destination Parties for specimens of species of the genera Dalbergia and Diospyros occurring in Madagascar are urged to: a) enforce all the measures that are recommended by the CITES Standing Committee concerning commercial trade in specimens of these species from Madagascar, including suspensions of such trade; b) develop action plans to effectively manage timber stockpiles of Dalbergia spp. and Diospyros spp. from Madagascar; and c) provide written reports describing progress made with implementation of paragraphs a) and b) of this Decision to the Standing Committee.	SC69 and SC70	Not provided. Notification?	None decided so far.
Malagasy Diospyros and Dalbergia	Decision	17.204	Madagascar	Secretariat	Plants Committee Standing Committee	Madagascar shall: a) continue to develop an inclusive process to identify the main commercially valuable species in these genera from Madagascar, in cooperation with transit and destination Parties, the CITES Secretariat and relevant partners, such as the International Tropical Timber Organization (ITTO), the International Consortium on Combating Wildlife Crime (ICWC), the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and other intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations concerned with trade in timber of rosewood, ebonies and palisanders; b) for those species identified under paragraph a) establish, in collaboration with the CITES Secretariat, a precautionary export quota based upon a scientifically robust non-detriment finding; c) subject to the availability of funds, organize workshops in support of the implementation of paragraphs a) and b) of this Decision, and to strengthen the national capacity to formulate non-detriment findings, and identify and agree on monitoring mechanisms that include appropriate technology (e.g. timber tracking); d) continue the production of identification materials for identifying timber and timber products of species of the genera Dalbergia and Diospyros from Madagascar; e) for those species identified under paragraph a), significantly strengthen control and enforcement measures against illegal logging and export at the national level including seizures, investigations, arrests, prosecutions, and sanctions; f) submit regular updates on audited inventories of at least a third of the stockpiles of species of Dalbergia and Diospyros from Madagascar, and a use plan for consideration, approval and further guidance from the Standing Committee; and g) provide written reports on progress with the implementation of paragraphs a) to d) of this Decision to each meeting of the Plants Committee; on progress with the implementation of paragraphs e) and f) of this Decision to the Standing Committee; and on progress with the implementation of this Decision to the Conference of the Parties at its 18th meeting.	PC23 PC24 SC69 SC70	Not provided. Letters sent.	Compliance measures with trade suspension

Malagasy Diospyros and Dalbergia	Decision	17.205	Madagascar and transit and destination Parties for Malagasy Diospyros and Dalbergia	Secretariat	Standing Committee	Parties and relevant partners indicated in Decision 17.204 paragraph a) are invited to: a) provide technical and financial assistance to support the implementation of Decisions 17.203 to 17.208; b) provide technical and financial assistance in support of conducting audited inventories of Dalbergia spp. and Diospyros spp. from Madagascar; and c) provide reports to the Standing Committee, including information received from relevant partner organizations, concerning progress with the implementation of paragraphs a) and b) of this Decision.	SC69 SC70		None decided so far.
Sharks and rays	Decision	17.209	All Parties?	Secretariat	Website	Parties are encouraged to: b) share experiences and examples of making non-detriment findings for trade in CITES-listed sharks and rays including, where appropriate, how artisanal fishing is taken into consideration, and communicate them to the Secretariat for publication on the CITES Sharks and Rays Portal (https://cites.org/prog/shark) in order to improve capacity and knowledge of national and regional harvest levels and management measures;			None decided so far.
Sharks and rays	Decision	17.211	All Parties?	Secretariat	Animals Committee	The Secretariat shall: a) issue a notification, requesting Parties to provide new information on their shark and ray conservation and management activities, including legislation, and make the responses available to the Animals Committee for its consideration; and b) provide a summary of information in the CITES trade database on trade in CITES-listed sharks and rays since 2000 for consideration by the Animals Committee.	AC29, AC30	Notification 2017/031	None decided so far.
Asian elephants	Decision	17.217	Parties involved in trade in live Asian elephants	Secretariat	Standing Committee	All Parties involved in the trade in live Asian elephants are encouraged to: a) undertake, as necessary, investigations into the illegal trade in live Asian elephants, and endeavour to enforce, and where necessary improve, national laws concerning international trade in specimens of Asian elephants with the explicit intention of preventing the illegal trade in live Asian elephants; b) develop strategies to manage captive Asian elephant populations; c) ensure that trade in, and cross-border movements of live Asian elephants are conducted in compliance with CITES, including the provisions in Article III, paragraph 3, for Asian elephants of wild origin; d) collaborate in the development and application of a regional system for registering, marking and tracing live Asian elephants, requesting as necessary assistance from experts, specialized agencies or the Secretariat; and e) at the request of the Secretariat, provide information on the implementation of this Decision for reporting by the Secretariat to the Standing Committee.	SC70	No request with format has been made yet	None decided so far.
Bread palms	Decision	17.219	Parties that seized illegal Encephalartos species specimens	Secretariat		All Parties should: a) immediately bring every seizure of illegal Encephalartos species specimens made within their territories to the attention of authorities in range States, countries of origin, transit and destination, as applicable, and to the attention of the Secretariat. Information on the seizure should be accompanied by available associated information to enable follow-up investigations to take place; b) notify the CITES Secretariat of seizures of specimens of Encephalartos species specimens for which the origin cannot be determined. Such a notification should include information describing the circumstances of the seizure; c) submit samples from specimens of Encephalartos species specimens confiscated and/or subject to criminal investigation, to designated forensic laboratories for DNA analysis on the basis of a standard protocol provided by South Africa; d) prior to issuing permits or certificates, including pre-Convention certificates, authorizing the import or re-export of specimens of Encephalartos species, consult with the country of origin, so that the true nature of the trade and source of specimens may be confirmed and monitored.			None decided so far.
Bread palms	Decision	17.220	Parties trading or seizing Encephalartos specimens	Secretariat	Standing Committee	The Secretariat shall: b) prepare a questionnaire to assist Parties in compiling information on legal and illegal trade in Encephalartos spp. specimens, drawing upon the template for species-specific reporting adopted by the Standing Committee, and make this questionnaire available to Parties through a Notification to the Parties; and	SC69	Notification 2017/032	None decided so far.

Asian big cats	Decision	17.226	Parties with Asian big cat captive facilities	Secretariat	Standing Committee	All Parties in whose territory there are facilities keeping Asian big cats in captivity are requested to: a) review national management practices and controls that are in place for such facilities, to ensure that these management practices and controls are adequate to prevent Asian big cat specimens from entering illegal trade from or through such facilities; b) ensure strict application of all management practices and controls implemented to regulate the activities of facilities that keep Asian big cats in captivity, including with regard to the disposal of specimens from Asian big cats that die in captivity; and c) report to the Secretariat on progress with regard to the implementation of this Decision.			None decided so far.
African wild dog	Decision	17.238	Burkina Faso	Secretariat	Animals Committee	Burkina Faso is invited to report to the Animals Committee on the implementation of Decisions 17.235 to 17.237 at the 29th or 30th Animals Committee meetings, as appropriate.	AC29 or AC30	Not relevant.	None decided so far.
Pangolins	Decision	17.239 and 17.240	Range and implicated States (pangolins)	Secretariat	Standing Committee	The Secretariat shall: b) subject to external funding, prepare in cooperation with relevant organizations, and in consultation with range and implicated States, at least two months before the 69th meeting of the Standing Committee, a report on: i) the national and global conservation status of African and Asian pangolin species; ii) available information about levels of legal and illegal trade; iii) relevant information on enforcement actions taken, including seizures, forensic analysis of seized specimens, arrests, prosecutions and judgments relating to illegal trade in pangolins as well as disposal of seized specimens; iv) stock-piles of specimens and derivatives of pangolins and stockpile management including existing registration systems; v) inventories of current captive pangolin populations, including breeding data and mortality rates, in zoos, rehabilitation centres and other captive facilities and new developments on captive-breeding activities; and vi) new developments regarding specific demand management, education and awareness-raising measures concerning pangolins. 17.240 The Secretariat shall distribute the report in draft to range and implicated States for any comments. The final report shall be made available to the Standing Committee at its 69th meeting. On the basis of the report and the comments received from the range and implicated States, the Secretariat shall formulate recommendations for consideration at the 69th meeting of the Standing Committee, as well as draft decisions for consideration by the Standing Committee and the Conference of the Parties, as appropriate.	SC69		None decided so far.
East African sandalwood	Decision	16.153 (Rev. CoP17)	Eastern African range States of <i>Osyris</i> species	Secretariat	Plants Committee	The Plants Committee and Eastern African range States of <i>Osyris</i> species shall: a) review and gather further information on the conservation status of, trade in and use of <i>Osyris</i> species and look-alike species and, assess their impact in the conservation status of <i>Osyris lanceolata</i> ; b) assess the data required to make non-detriment findings following the existing guidance; c) identify mechanisms to help build capacity to carry out non-detriment findings for currently-listed populations; d) report to the 24th meeting of the Plants Committee on the outcomes and recommendations of the workshop organized under Decision 16.154 (Rev. CoP17) b); and e) report on their work at the 18th meeting of the Conference of the Parties.	PC24	Not provided. Letters to be sent.	None decided so far.
Banggai cardinalfish	Decision	17.259	Indonesia	Secretariat	Animals Committee	Indonesia should implement conservation and management measures to ensure the sustainability of international trade in <i>Pterapogon kauderni</i> , and report progress on these measures to the Animals Committee at its 30th meeting.	AC30	Not provided. Reminder sent.	None decided so far.
Helmeted hornbill	Decision	17.264	Range States for <i>Rhinoplax vigil</i> and other Parties involved in its	Secretariat	Standing Committee	Range States and transit and consumer Parties should provide information to the Secretariat, about their implementation of Resolution Conf. 17.11 on <i>Conservation of and trade in helmeted hornbill</i> and collaborate with the Secretariat in its implementation of Decision 17.265.	SC69, SC70	Not provided. Letters to be sent.	None decided so far.

Saiga antelope	Decision	17.267	Range States of saiga antelope (Saiga spp.) (Kazakhstan, Mongolia, the Russian Federation, Turkmenistan and	Secretariat	Standing Committee	The range States of the saiga antelope (Saiga spp.) and important consumer and trading countries of saiga parts and derivatives, as identified by the Secretariat on the basis of CITES trade data, should: a) fully implement the measures directed to them in the Medium-Term International Work Programme for the Saiga Antelope (2016-2020) [MTIWP (2016-2020)], developed in support of the Memorandum of Understanding concerning Conservation, Restoration and Sustainable Use of the Saiga Antelope (Saiga spp.) and its Saiga Action Plan; and b) provide information to the Secretariat on the measures and activities they undertook to implement the actions directed to them in the MTIWP (2016-2020).	SC70, CoP18	Provided by CMS. Letters to be sent.	None decided so far.
Snakes	Decision	17.276	Benin, Ghana, Honduras, Indonesia and Togo	Secretariat	Animals Committee	Benin, Ghana, Honduras, Indonesia and Togo are encouraged to undertake the following actions: a) Honduras: to ensure that measures are in place to address poaching of, and illegal trade in, the Cayos Cochinos boa constrictor (Boa constrictor imperator); b) Benin: to implement the following measures for the Ball python (Python regius): i) design and implement a management programme for the species; ii) make non-detriment findings based on studies of the species, basic demographics, harvest and trade in the species; and iii) strengthen national regulations relating to trade control and monitoring, including stricter control policies for production systems. c) Benin, Ghana and Togo: to implement the following measures for the Calabar ground boa (Calabaria reinhardtii): i) make non-detriment findings based on studies of the species, basic demographics, harvest and trade in the species; and ii) improve systems to monitor harvest, captive breeding, and trade in the species; d) Indonesia: to improve enforcement of existing laws and take into account the recommendations provided in the document to more effectively regulate the collection of and trade in the populations of the wild green tree python (Morelia viridis) and the Boelen's python (Morelia boeleni); and e) Benin, Ghana, Honduras, Indonesia and Togo: to report to the Secretariat on the implementation of actions directed to them in this Decision, for transmission to, and review by the Animals Committee at one of its meetings between the 17th meeting and the 18th meeting of the Conference of the Parties and subsequent reporting by the Animals Committee to the Standing Committee.	AC29 or AC30	Letters sent.	Possible compliance measures
Snakes	Decision	17.278	Parties in Asia	Secretariat	Standing Committee	Parties should eliminate the important illegal and unreported trade in specimens, whether live or parts and derivatives, of CITES-listed snake species by: a) ensuring that CITES permits and certificates are properly issued for trade in these specimens; b) including information on trade in these specimens in their CITES annual reports; c) ensuring that their annual reports are following the most recent version of the Guidelines for the preparation and submission of CITES annual reports, in compliance with Resolution Conf. 11.17 (Rev. CoP17) on National reports; d) examining their enforcement efforts regarding trade in these specimens to ensure that adequate steps are taken to deter and detect illegal and unreported trade; e) undertaking education and outreach activities directed towards snake farms, buyers and sellers of live snakes, parts and derivatives, product manufacturers, shippers, brokers and staff from government agencies involved in controlling and monitoring this trade to ensure that snake specimens are traded in compliance with national laws and CITES provisions; and f) in the case of Parties in Asia, reporting on their efforts in all of these areas to the Secretariat in time for its reporting at the 69th meeting of the Standing Committee.	SC69	Not provided. Letters to be sent.	None decided so far.

Queen conch	Decision	17.285	Range States of Strombus gigas	Secretariat	CoP	The range States of Strombus gigas shall: a) following the endorsement of the Regional Queen Conch Fisheries Management and Conservation Plan by all range States, collaborate to implement the Regional Plan, and develop national Queen Conch Fisheries Management and Conservation Plans as appropriate; b) organize national level consultations to discuss the Regional Queen Conch Fisheries Management and Conservation Plan, build awareness, increase buy-in of all stakeholders for implementing the measures, and contribute to future national, subregional and regional compliance; c) continue to collect data on weight of S. gigas by processing grade in order to update and improve the agreed regional conversion factors, and develop additional national conversion factors, taking into account the spatial variability and characteristics of the species; d) continue to collaborate in exploring ways to enhance the traceability of specimens of S. gigas in international trade, including, but not limited to, catch certificates, labelling systems and the application of genetic techniques, and consider sharing relevant experiences with the Secretariat, Parties and the Standing Committee, as appropriate, in the context of discussions on traceability systems for trade in CITES-listed species; e) collaborate in developing and implementing joint research programmes at subregional or regional level to support the making of non-detriment findings, and promote relevant research and capacity building activities through regional fisheries management bodies; f) promote and collaborate in developing and implementing public education and awareness programmes regarding the conservation and sustainable use of S.gigas; and g) provide information to the Secretariat on the implementation of this decision to allow it to report at the 18th meeting of the Conference of the Parties in accordance with Decision 17.290 and, as appropriate, report to the Western Central Atlantic Fishery Commission on the implementation of the regional plan or national plans.	CoP18	Not provided. Letters to be sent.	None decided so far.
Testudines	Decision	17.297 and 17.298	All Parties	Secretariat	Standing Committee	The Parties shall: a) take steps to strengthen implementation and enforcement of the Convention for tortoises and freshwater and terrestrial turtles, especially the recommendations of the Standing Committee under Decision 17.298 a) and b); and b) report to 70th and 71st meetings of the Standing Committee, through the Secretariat, on steps taken to implement the Committee's recommendations, under Decision 17.298 a) and b). 17.298: The Standing Committee shall: b) at its 70th and 71st meetings, evaluate the reports of the Parties under Decision 17.297 b) and determine whether additional recommendations or measures are needed, including appropriate compliance measures in accordance with Resolution Conf. 14.3 on CITES compliance procedures; and c) report on actions and progress achieved by the Committee, Task Force and the Parties at the 18th meeting of the Conference of the Parties.	SC70 SC71		None decided so far.
Black Sea bottlenose dolphin	Decision	17.299	Range States for the Black Sea bottlenose dolphin	Secretariat	Animals Committee	Parties are encouraged to: a) use genetic analysis to confirm the subspecies of the specimen of Tursiops truncatus and its origin prior to the issuance of an export permit; b) establish, on a national or regional basis, repositories where relevant genetic identification data are stored and to make these accessible on-line; and c) report to the Animals Committee on exports of Tursiops truncatus ponticus and their origins.	AC30	Letters will be sent.	None decided so far.
WoRMS	Decision	17.307	Parties using the WoRMS database	Secretariat	Animals Committee	The Parties shall undertake an internal assessment of the WoRMS database with regard to consistency with their own internal coral nomenclature databases, and report their findings to the Secretariat for communication to the Animals Committee.	AC/PC meetings; CoP18	Notification to be published.	None decided so far.
Cactaceae	Decision	17.314	Parties using the Cactaceae Checklist (3rd	Secretariat	Plants Committee	The Parties shall inform the Secretariat of their experiences of using the CITES Cactaceae Checklist (3rd edition) and of any issues that may arise as they apply the list.	PC meetings.	Notification to be published.	None decided so far.

Orchids	Decision	17.318	Parties involved in trade in orchid parts and derivatives (wild and artificially propagated)	Plants Committee Working Group	Plants Committee	<p>The Plants Committee shall:</p> <p>a) re-establish a working group on Annotations for Appendix II Orchids. The working group shall be chaired by a member of the Plants Committee and work on the basis of the following terms of reference:</p> <p>i) The working group shall develop a questionnaire taking into consideration previous discussions and work on this topic, to seek information on the trade in orchid parts and derivatives (wild and artificially propagated) in consideration of the potential conservation impact of exempting orchid products from CITES controls.</p> <p>A) The questionnaire should invite Parties to provide available information on: the trade in orchid products from source to final product, including the identification of the major industry sectors involved in the trade; how NDFs are made; traceability along the trade chain; and trade reporting. It should also request information on orchid parts and derivatives used in products, sectors involved (cosmetics, nutritional supplements, traditional medicine, foodstuffs – in particular flours -etc.), and conservation concerns for wild populations.</p> <p>B) The questionnaire should be transmitted to the Parties via a Notification and should emphasize the importance of responses from range States, with a sufficient deadline for responding.</p>	PC24	None	None decided so far.
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Appendix I	Decision	17.22	Range States of Appendix I species	Secretariat		Subject to available resources, the Secretariat shall contract the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN), United Nations Environment Programme-World Conservation Monitoring Centre (UNEP-WCMC) or other consultants, as appropriate, to make a rapid assessment of the conservation status of, and legal and illegal in trade in species included in Appendix I, with an indication of conservation priorities based on levels of threats caused by trade and resource availability to address these threats, for consideration by the Animals and Plants Committees, following consultation with range States. The Secretariat shall make recommendations to the Animals and Plants Committees on how the findings can contribute to the implementation of Aichi Target 12.	AC, PC meetings	None provided. Notification(s) to be send.
Domestic markets for frequently illegally traded specimens	Decision	17.87	Parties that are consumer markets for specimens of CITES-listed species for which international trade is predominantly illegal	Secretariat	Standing Committee	The Secretariat, subject to external funding and in consultation with relevant Parties, is requested to: a) contract independent consultant(s) to undertake a study of the domestic controls in consumer markets for specimens of CITES-listed species for which international trade is predominantly illegal; and b) report the findings and recommendations of this study to the 70th meeting of the Standing Committee.	SC70	
Specimens produced from synthetic or cultured DNA	Decision	17.89	All Parties	Secretariat	Animals Committee Plants Committee Standing Committee	The Secretariat, subject to external funding, is requested to: a) undertake a review of relevant CITES provisions, resolutions and decisions, including Resolution Conf. 9.6 (Rev. CoP16) on Trade in readily recognizable parts and derivatives, to examine how Parties have applied the interpretation of Resolution Conf. 9.6 (Rev. CoP16) to wildlife products produced from synthetic or cultured DNA, under what circumstances wildlife products produced from synthetic or cultured DNA meet the current interpretation, and whether any revisions should be considered, with a view to ensuring that such trade does not pose a threat to the survival of CITES-listed species; and b) report the findings and recommendations of this study to the 29th meeting of the Animals Committee, the 23rd meeting of the Plants Committee, and the 69th meeting of the Standing Committee.	AC29 PC23 SC69	None
Illegal trade in West and Central Africa	Decision	17.99		Secretariat	Standing Committee	Parties are urged to support the activities to be conducted in compliance with Decision 17.97 through the provision of information on legal and illegal trade, as may be requested. Decision 17.97: a threat assessment report on illegal wildlife trade in West and Central Africa, to identify and collate information regarding trade routes, techniques and trends relating to wildlife trafficking in the two sub-regions, including recommendations on priority measures necessary to address and significantly reduce wildlife crime in the two sub-regions;	SC69 SC70 CoP18	
NDF	Decision	17.104	All Parties	Animals Committee?	Animals Committee	Subject to available resources, the Animals Committee shall review the differences in the nature of non-detriment findings made for specimens with source code W, R and F and provide guidance for Parties, to be sent to the Secretariat for inclusion in the section for non-detriment findings on the CITES website referred to in Resolution Conf. 16.7 (Rev. CoP17) on <i>Non-detriment findings</i> .	AC30	None provided.
Agarwood	Decision	17.195	Range States for agarwood-producing taxa	Workshop	Workshop	Subject to available funding, the range States shall generate and compile biological and ecological data as well as information on the harvest, trade and management of agarwood-producing species in the wild. Range states are requested to report this information at the regional agarwood workshop referred to in Decision 17.195, and agree on regional priorities to ensure the survival of populations of agarwood-producing species in the wild.	PC24	None provided.
Agarwood	Decision	16.157 (Rev. CoP17)	?	Secretariat	Plants Committee	The Plants Committee shall monitor the implementation of Resolution Conf. 16.10 on <i>Implementation of the Convention for agarwood-producing taxa</i> to assess any potential conservation impacts to the long-term survival of agarwood-producing species and possible problems arising from the implementation, and shall report on these issues at the 18th meeting of the Conference of the Parties.	PC23, PC24	None provided.

Asian big cats	Decision	17.228	Range and consumer States of Asian big cats and Parties with Asian big cat captive facilities	Secretariat	Standing Committee	Subject to external funds, the Secretariat shall, in consultation with range and consumer States, and in cooperation with partner organizations in the International Consortium on Combating Wildlife Crime (ICWC) and, as appropriate, other experts and organizations, continue the review of implementation of Resolution Conf. 12.5 (Rev. CoP17) and associated Decisions and prepare a report in consideration of legislative and regulatory measures; national law enforcement; demand reduction, education and awareness; prevention of illegal trade in parts and derivatives from facilities for keeping Asian big cats in captivity; and management of national and privately-held stocks of parts and derivatives.	SC70	
Helmeted hornbill	Decision	17.265	Range States of Rhinoplax vigil	Secretariat	Standing Committee	Subject to the availability of external funding, the Secretariat shall: a) consult the range States of the helmeted hornbill concerning their measures to conserve and protect this species, including relevant conservation actions, legal and regulatory measures, outreach and education activities, cross-border cooperation and actions to combat poaching and illegal trade; b) assist Parties to develop and implement measures, including legislative and enforcement measures and regional and sub-regional initiatives, to halt or reduce, and ultimately, eliminate illegal trade in helmeted hornbills; c) work closely with partners of the International Consortium on Combating Wildlife Crime (ICWC) to support the implementation of this Decision; and d) report to the Standing Committee on the implementation of this Decision.	SC70	None. Letters to be issued.