

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



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Committee II

Review of Resolutions and Decisions

General review

DRAFT AMENDMENTS TO RESOLUTIONS OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

This document has been prepared by the Secretariat on the basis of document CoP14 Doc. 20.2 Annex, approved as amended following discussions in the sixth session of Committee II.

All of the proposed amendments to Resolutions contained in document CoP14 Doc. 20.2 Annex were accepted by Committee II with the following exceptions.

Regarding Resolution Conf. 8.4 on National laws for implementation of the Convention: it was agreed to amend paragraph c) under "DIRECTS the Secretariat, within available resources" to read as follows:

- c) to report its findings, recommendations or progress to the Standing Committee and at each meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

Regarding Resolution Conf. 10.10 (Rev. CoP12) on Trade in elephant specimens: it was agreed to amend Annexes 1 and 2 of the Resolution as follows:

Annex 1

4. Data collection and compilation

The MIKE and ETIS Technical Advisory Group (TAG) support the development and implementation of ETIS. ETIS will be managed and coordinated by TRAFFIC in consultation with the TAG.

All Parties should provide information on seizures and confiscations of ivory or other elephant specimens on the prescribed form to the Secretariat within 90 days of their occurrence. In addition, law enforcement agencies in States not-party are also requested to provide such information.

TRAFFIC will assist the relevant Parties with the collection of data, ensure data quality and consistency, and provide training in data collection and information management techniques to designated officials around the world as appropriate.

5. Data analysis and interpretation

The analysis and interpretation of data will be coordinated by TRAFFIC in association with the CITES Secretariat and institutions involved with monitoring the illegal hunting of elephants (see Annex 2) and in consultation with TAG.

Annex 2

2. Scope and methodology

The monitoring system will include elephant range States in both Africa and Asia and trade entrepots.

It will be based on a standardized methodology for the reporting of illegal hunting by CITES Management Authorities in range States and for monitoring in specific sites or areas. Relevant databases and standard reporting protocols will be established by the CITES Secretariat in consultation with the range States and the MIKE and ETIS Technical Advisory Group (TAG).

Regarding Resolution Conf. 10.16 (Rev.) on Specimens of animal species bred in captivity: no amendment was agreed.

Regarding Resolution Conf. 12.10 (Rev. CoP13) on Guidelines for a procedure to register and monitor operations that breed Appendix-I animal species for commercial purposes: it was agreed:

- i) to insert the following paragraph in the preamble:

NOTING that, in accordance with Article VII, paragraph 5, the import of specimens of Appendix-I species bred in captivity not for commercial purposes that are covered by a certificate of captive breeding does not require the issuance of an import permit and may therefore be authorized whether or not the purpose is commercial;

- ii) to delete paragraph b) under DETERMINES, which reads as follows:

b) for Appendix-I species, Article VII, paragraph 5, shall be interpreted as referring to a specimen of an animal bred for non-commercial purposes where each donation, exchange or loan is not for profit and is conducted between two operations involved in a cooperative conservation programme that provides for the participation and/or support of one or more range States for the species concerned;

- iii) to delete paragraph 7 of Annex 1 of the Resolution, which reads as follows:

7. Where actual documentation is difficult to obtain, the Management Authority may accept signed affidavits supported by other documents (e.g. dated receipts) in lieu of documents required under paragraph 6 a) through c) above until the 14th meeting of the Conference of the Parties. The Management Authority may also consult with range States of the species concerned in order to validate affidavits and supporting documents.

Regarding Resolution Conf. 11.6 (Rev. CoP13) on Trade in vicuña cloth: it was agreed to transfer the following paragraph to Resolution Conf. 12.3 (Rev. CoP13), under section XIV, and to repeal the Resolution:

RECOMMENDS that Management Authorities authorize the import of vicuña cloth only if the reverse bears the logotype corresponding to the country of origin and the trade mark VICUÑA – COUNTRY OF ORIGIN or if it is cloth containing pre-Convention wool of vicuña.