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Committee I

<u>Aquatic species listed in the CITES Appendices:</u>
Proposals for a new approach to the listing of sharks and rays

DRAFT DECISIONS OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

This document has been prepared by the working group on aquatic species listed in the CITES Appendices on the basis of document CoP19 Doc. 87.2 after discussion in the first and second session of Committee I (see summary records CoP19 Com. I Rec. 1 and Rec. 2).

Draft decisions on Aquatic species listed in the CITES Appendices

(New text is underlined, deleted text is struck through)

Directed to the Secretariat

19.AA Subject to the availability of resources, the Secretariat shall:

- convene a technical workshop to consider the application of Resolution Conf. 9.24 (Rev. CoP17) and its footnote 2 (found in annex V), with regards to relevant commercially exploited Elasmobranchii and other aquatic species, taking into account the information provided in CoP19 Doc 87.2 and available scientific information and data. examine the biological difference between these species of the class Chondrichthyes (and other highly vulnerable marine species) and other commercially exploited aquatic species and consider to further develop the amendments proposed to Resolution Conf. 9.24 (Rev. CoP17) that are contained in section 6 of document CoP19 Doc 87.2, to ensure that they correctly reflect the intent of the text of the Convention for the class Chondrichthyes.
- b) <u>publish issue</u> a notification to the Parties inviting all interested Parties, <u>members of</u> the Animals Committee, the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization and other competent relevant intergovernmental and nongovernmental organizations to participate in this workshop.
- c) submit the conclusions and recommendations of this workshop to the Animals Committee at its next meeting for review.

Directed to the Animals Committee

19.BB The Animals Committee shall review the report of the workshop and make recommendations to the next meeting of the Standing Committee, as appropriate.

Directed to the Standing Committee

19.CC The Standing Committee shall consider the report of the workshop and the recommendations and comments of the Animals Committee and submit recommendations to the 20th meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

Directed to Parties and others

19.DD Parties, intergovernmental organizations, nongovernmental organizations and other donors are encouraged to provide funding to the Secretariat for the implementation of Decision 19.AA.