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

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Strategic and administrative matters

Establishment of Committees

REVISION OF RESOLUTION CONF. 11.1 ON ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMITTEES

1. This document has been submitted by Chile.

Introduction

- 2. The number of representatives of each region on the Standing Committee differs from the number representatives of each region on the Animals and Plants Committees.
- 3. Resolution Conf. 11.1, Annex 1, applies the following criteria regarding the composition of the Standing Committee: one representative for regions with up to 15 Parties, two representatives for regions with 16 to 30 Parties, three representatives for regions with 31 to 45 Parties, or four representatives for regions with more than 45 Parties.
- 4. Resolution Conf. 11.1, Annex 2, applies the following criteria regarding the composition of the Animals and Plants Committees: a person chosen by each of the major geographic regions consisting of North America and Oceania and two persons chosen by each of the major geographic regions consisting of Africa, Asia, Europe, South and Central America and the Caribbean.
- 5. It is proposed that the criteria of Annex 2 regarding the composition of the Animals and Plants Committees be identical to those of Annex 1 regarding the composition of the Standing Committee, as shown in the Annex to this document.

COMMENT FROM THE SECRETARIAT

The Secretariat agrees that the level of regional representation in the permanent committees should be the same, i.e. that applicable to the Standing Committee. It has therefore included this proposal in its proposals for a revision of the Committee structure in document CoP12 Doc. 13.3.

DRAFT RESOLUTION OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

Revision of Annex 2, paragraph a) under the first DETERMINES, of Resolution Conf. 11.1 on Establishment of committees

Proposed deleted text is struck out and new text underlined.

"DETERMINES that:

- a) the membership of the Animals and Plants Committees shall consist of ÷
 - i) a person chosen by each of the major geographic regions consisting of North America and Oceania; and
 - ii) two persons chosen by each of the major geographic regions consisting of Africa, Asia, Europe and South and Central America and the Caribbean;

a person elected from each of the six major geographic regions consisting of Africa, Asia, Europe, North America, Central and South America and the Caribbean, and Oceania, according to the following criteria:

- i) one representative for regions with up to 15 Parties;
- ii) two representatives for regions with 16 to 30 Parties;
- iii) three representatives for regions with 31 to 45 Parties; or
- iv) four representatives for regions with more than 45 Parties;"