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REVIEW AND RETIREMENT OF THE DECISIONS OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

Proposals by the Executive Secretary regarding the retirement of decisions of the Conference of the Parties pursuant to decision VII/33 on operations of the Convention

I. INTRODUCTION

1. At its seventh meeting, the Conference of the Parties, by paragraph 3 of decision VII/33, requested the Executive Secretary to make proposals to its eighth meeting regarding the retirement of decisions and elements of decisions taken at its fifth and sixth meetings and to communicate such proposals to Parties, Governments and relevant international organizations at least six months prior to its eighth meeting. In paragraph 5 of the same decision, the Conference of the Parties invited Parties, Governments and international organizations to submit to the Executive Secretary written comments on the proposals referred to in paragraph 3 of the decision at least three months prior to its eighth meeting.

2. The Executive Secretary has prepared the present document pursuant to paragraph 3 of decision VII/33. The document is divided into three sections and contains one annex. Section II presents a summary of the process of the review and retirement of the decisions of the Conference of the Parties adopted at its fifth and sixth meetings. The full review is being circulated as an information document (UNEP/CBD/COP/8/INF/2). The list of the decisions and elements of decisions of the fifth and sixth meetings of the Conference of the Parties proposed for retirement are contained in the annex. Section III provides recommendations for the consideration of the Conference of the Parties at its eighth meeting.

3. In accordance with paragraphs 3 and 5 of decision VII/33, the Executive Secretary, by a notification dated 30 May 2005, communicated the draft proposals relating to the review and consolidation of the decisions of the Conference of the Parties to Parties, Governments and relevant international organizations. Comments were received from Canada, India, Poland, Thailand and UNEP-WCMC. Except for the submission from India, these comments focused on the proposals relating to the consolidation of decisions of the Conference of the Parties pursuant to paragraph 4 of decision VII/33 (see document UNEP/CBD/COP/8/16/Add. 2). The comments of India were taken into consideration in the finalization of the present document.

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II. REVIEW AND RETIREMENT OF DECISIONS OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

4. The review of the decisions of the Conference of the Parties adopted at its fifth and sixth meetings (UNEP/CBD/COP/8/INF/2) follows the same format that was adopted for the purposes of the reviews undertaken for the sixth and seventh meetings of the Conference of the Parties (UNEP/CBD/COP/6/INF/17 and UNEP/CBD/COP/7/INF/16). On the basis of this review, the Executive Secretary, in annex II to document UNEP/CBD/COP/8/INF/2 identifies: (a) decisions and elements of decisions that could be retired by the Conference of the Parties at its eighth meeting because they either have been fully implemented and are of no continuing relevance or effect; have been superseded by subsequent decisions; or are of only historical value; and (b) decisions and elements of decisions that could be retained and subsequently consolidated with other relevant decisions because they are either still under implementation or are of continuing relevance or effect.

III. RECOMMENDATIONS

5. The Conference of the Parties at its eighth meeting may wish to:

(a) Retire the decisions and elements of decisions adopted at its fifth and sixth meetings listed in the annex to the present document;

(b) Request the Executive Secretary to make proposals to the Conference of the Parties at its ninth meeting regarding the retirement of decisions and elements of decisions taken at its seventh meeting and to communicate such proposals to Parties, Governments and relevant international organizations at least six months prior to its ninth meeting;

(c) Invite Parties, Governments and international organizations to submit to the Executive Secretary written comments on the proposals referred to in paragraph (b) above at least three months prior to its ninth meeting.

Annex

DECISIONS AND ELEMENTS OF DECISIONS ADOPTED BY THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES AT ITS FIFTH AND SIXTH MEETINGS TO BE RETIRED

Decisions of the fifth meeting of the Conference of the Parties

Decision V/1
 Decision V/2, paras. 1 and 3-8
 Decision V/3
 Decision V/4, paras. 1-15 and 17-20
 Decision V/5, paras. 1-2, 8, 11-12, 19-21, and 28-29
 Decision V/6, paras. 3 – 6.
 Decision V/7, paras. 1-3, and 5.
 Decision V/8, paras. 1-9, and 13-17
 Decision V/9, paras. 2-4 and 6
 Decision V/10
 Decision V/11, paras. 2-3, 7-8, 11, 13-14 and 17.
 Decision V/12
 Decision V/13, para. 1
 Decision V/14, paras. 1, 3-4, 6, and 8-10
 Decision V/16, paras. 6, 8 – 9, and 14.
 Decision V/17, paras 1 – 3 and 7(c) and (d).
 Decision V/18, paras 1(a) – (d) and 2 - 9
 Decision V/19, paras 3 and 8
 Decision V/20, paras. 4, 6 , 10 – 16, 23, 28, 29(b) and (e), 32 – 33, 35, and 37 – 40.
 Decision V/21, paras. 1 and 3 - 10
 Decision V/22, paras. 1 – 6, 8 – 9, 11 – 14, 16 – 17, 19 and 21.
 Decision V/23, paras 6 - 8
 Decision V/24, paras 2 and 3
 Decision V/25, paras. 2 – 4 and 6 - 7
 Decision V/26 A paras. 7 – 10 and 15,
 Decision V/26 B, paras. 3 – 4
 Decision V/26 C, paras. 1 – 3 and 5
 Decision V/27
 Decision V/28
 Decision V/29

Decisions of the sixth meeting of the Conference of the Parties

Decision VI/1, paras. 1 – 5 and 7
 Decision VI/2, paras. 1 - 3
 Decision VI/3
 Decision VI/4
 Decision VI/5, paras. 5, 17 and 21.
 Decision VI/6, paras. 1 and 6
 Decision VI/7 B, paras. 1 – 4
 Decision VI/7 C, paras. 1 – 4.
 Decision VI/8, para. 8
 Decision VI/10, paras. 1, 4, 6 – 7, 9, 12 – 19, 21 – 22, 25, 28, and 34.
 Decision VI/12

Decision VI/13, paras. 1 - 5

Decision VI/14

Decision VI/15, paras. 1, and 5-7.

Decision VI/16, paras. 1 – 5, and 11(g)

Decision VI/17, paras. 1, 9 and 11

Decision VI/18, paras. 2 and 3

Decision VI/20, paras. 14, 31 and 37.

Decision VI/21

Decision VI/22, paras. 1 – 8; 19(a), 19(b), 19(d) and 19(f); 27; 41; 43; and 45

Decision VI/23, paras. 1 – 3, 7, and 9

Decision VI/24 A, paras. 1 – 2 and 8 – 9

Decision VI/24 B, paras. 1 – 3; 6 and 10 – 12

Decision VI/24 C, paras. 3 – 8

Decision VI/24 D, paras. 1 and 8

Decision VI/25, paras. 1 – 3 and 10

Decision VI/26, paras. 1 and 4

Decision VI/27 A, para. 13

Decision VI/27 B, paras. 2, 4, 5-8, and 16

Decision VI/28

Decision VI/29, paras. 1 – 3; 5; 8; 10 – 13; 15 – 18; and 20 – 28.

Decision VI/30

Decision VI/31

Decision VI/32
