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CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE CONVENTION  
ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY SERVING AS THE  
MEETING OF THE PARTIES TO THE NAGOYA  
PROTOCOL ON ACCESS TO GENETIC RESOURCES  
AND THE FAIR AND EQUITABLE SHARING OF  
BENEFITS ARISING FROM THEIR UTILIZATION

Third meeting

Sharm El-Sheikh, Egypt, 17-29 November 2018

Agenda item 14

### COOPERATION WITH OTHER CONVENTIONS, INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND INITIATIVES

#### Draft decision submitted by the Chair of Working Group I

*The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol,*

*Recognizing* the importance of cooperation with other international organizations, conventions and initiatives on matters related to access and benefit-sharing, and *welcoming* the cooperative activities undertaken by the Executive Secretary,

*Recalling* the preamble to the Nagoya Protocol in which Parties to the Protocol recognize that international instruments related to access and benefit-sharing should be mutually supportive with a view to achieving the objectives of the Convention,

*Recalling also* that the preamble to the Nagoya Protocol refers to the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture, the Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, and the World Health Organization,

[*Recognizing* that interest towards digital sequence information is growing under different international organizations and conventions,]

1. *Takes note* of the cooperative activities on access and benefit-sharing undertaken by the Executive Secretary;

2. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to continue to engage with relevant ongoing processes and policy debates, and liaise with other conventions, international organizations and initiatives, as appropriate, to provide and collect information on current discussions on matters related to access and benefit-sharing, and in particular on public health issues[, as well as the relationship between the use of digital sequence information on genetic resources and access and benefit-sharing arising out of the utilization of genetic resources];

3. *Also requests* the Executive Secretary to prepare a report of activities undertaken pursuant to paragraph 2 above including key developments under international agreements and instruments of relevance to the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol for the consideration of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties at its fourth meeting;

4. *Further requests* the Executive Secretary to continue to engage in cooperative activities and in projects for mutually supportive implementation of the Nagoya Protocol and the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture;

5. *Also requests* the Executive Secretary to share decision NP-3/--<sup>1</sup> with the World Health Organization, the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture, the Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and other relevant conventions and bodies.

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<sup>1</sup> A reference to the decision on specialized international access and benefit-sharing instruments in the context of Article 4, paragraph 4 of the Nagoya Protocol (agenda item 18 of the COP-MOP 3) will be included.