

<i>Item 5</i>	<i>Contact group 5</i>	<i>2 September 2021</i>
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**CO-LEADS' SUMMARY OF THE DISCUSSION OF THE CONTACT GROUP REGARDING
THE LINKAGES BETWEEN DIGITAL SEQUENCE INFORMATION ON GENETIC
RESOURCES AND THE POST-2020 GLOBAL BIODIVERSITY FRAMEWORK**

Addendum to the report

1. The present summary has been prepared by the co-leads of the contact group on item 5, Ms. Lactitia Tshitwamulomoni (South Africa) and Mr. Gaute Voigt-Hanssen (Norway), based on a discussion held during the contact group's third and final session on 27 August 2021 from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm EST (Montreal time). The summary was not negotiated by Parties and represents the co-leads' impression of some of the main views expressed during the discussion on potential linkages between digital sequence information on genetic resources (DSI) and the post-2020 global biodiversity framework. The summary is not exhaustive. The summary was prepared with a view to facilitating possible further work and consideration of DSI at the resumed session of the Working Group.
2. During the discussion, Parties proposed to make relevant textual suggestions in the contact groups under item 4 of the agenda. In this session of the contact group on item 5, the opportunity was taken to share some general views and suggestions on the issue, and the main points focused on the importance of reflecting DSI in the text of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework and on the need to make linkages, especially regarding resource mobilization, goals and targets, benefit-sharing and capacity-building. Some parties further pointed out that this section is part of the mandate of the contact group and that it is thus important to reflect on the integrated link between DSI and the post-2020 global biodiversity framework.

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