



Convention on Biological Diversity

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**Conference of the Parties to the Convention on
Biological Diversity serving as the meeting of the
Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety
Eleventh meeting, first resumed session**
Online, 3–6 December 2024*
Agenda item 6
**Administration of the Protocol
and budget for the trust funds**

Costs of convening an in-person resumed session of the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety

Draft decision submitted by the President

The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety,

Recalling its decision CP-11/4 of 1 November 2024, in which it noted that, in the event of extraordinary circumstances that rendered the holding of in-person meetings impractical, urgent decisions, such as those on budgetary matters, might be taken under silence procedure,

Recalling also that the closing plenary session of its eleventh meeting, held in Cali, Colombia, was suspended on 2 November 2024 without completing the consideration of a number of agenda items,

Recognizing the need to convene in the first quarter of 2025 an in-person resumed session of its eleventh meeting to complete discussion of the agenda items still pending and to close the meeting,

Recognizing also that convening said in-person resumed session will generate expenditure to cover the costs of the venue, as well as travel costs and subsistence allowances for Secretariat staff and delegates from eligible Parties,

Reaffirming the importance of the full and effective participation of delegates from developing country Parties, in particular the least developed countries and small island developing States, and countries with economies in transition in the meetings of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety,¹

* The present document is submitted to the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol for adoption under silence procedure.

¹ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 2226, No. 30619.

Noting that the resumed session of its eleventh meeting will be held in Rome from 25 to 27 February 2025,

1. *Authorizes* the Executive Secretary to draw down an amount not exceeding 60,000 United States dollars from the unspent balance of the General Trust Fund for the Core Programme Budget for the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, representing 15 per cent of a total amount of 400,000 dollars required to convene the in-person resumed sessions of the sixteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity,² the eleventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol and the fifth meeting of the Conference of the Parties 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 to the Convention on Biological Diversity;³

2. *Decides* to apply, *mutatis mutandis*, paragraphs 2 and 3 of decision 16/-- of the Conference of the Parties.⁴

² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1760, No. 30619.

³ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 3008, No. 30619.

⁴ Pending adoption by the Conference of Parties to the Convention of the decision on the cost of convening an in-person resumed session of the sixteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity.