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Draft report of Working Group I

Introduction

1. Working Group I, chaired by Gaute Hanssen (Norway), met to consider items 8 to 15, 19 and 20 of the agenda for the seventeenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (see sect. I), item 12 of the agenda for the twelfth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety (see sect. II) and items 5 and 7 to 15 of the agenda for the sixth 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 (see sect. III).

2. [to be completed]

I. Seventeenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity

Item 8
Resource mobilization and financial mechanism

(a) Resource mobilization

3. Working Group I began its consideration of agenda sub-item 8 (a) at its 1st session, on 19 October. It had before it a draft decision[1] and a note by the Secretariat on resource mobilization and the financial mechanism.[2] Four information documents had also been issued in relation to sub-item 8 (a): a study on the relationship between biodiversity and climate finance,[3] a study on the relationship between debt sustainability and implementation of the Convention,[4] a study on how the

[1] CBD/COP/17/2, sub-item 8 (a).
[2] CBD/COP/17/5.
[3] CBD/COP/17/INF/13.
[4] CBD/COP/17/INF/16.

guidance on safeguards in biodiversity finance mechanisms adopted in decisions XII/3 and 14/15 had been implemented, identifying good practices and lessons learned, as well as opportunities for improving implementation of the guidance,[5] and a non-exhaustive list of areas of convergence and divergence on opportunities for broadening the contributor base.[6] A report on the workshop on resource mobilization,[7] held in February 2026, had also been made available as a reference document.

4. Working Group I agreed to establish a contact group, co-chaired by Imen Meliane (Tunisia) and Carolina Caceres (Canada), with the mandate to further discuss the draft decision, focusing on options for broadening the contributor base; the annex on the additional criteria for the institutional structure to operate the financial mechanism; the paragraphs on the three studies arising from the sixth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation and the amendments to those paragraphs proposed by the Secretariat; and the remaining brackets in the body of the draft decision.

5. [to be completed]

(b) Financial mechanism

6. Working Group I began its consideration of agenda sub-item 8 (b) at its 1st session. It had before it a draft decision[8] and the report of the Council of the Global Environment Facility (GEF) for the seventeenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention.[9]

7. A representative of GEF made a brief presentation on the report of the GEF Council.

8. Working Group I agreed to establish a contact group, co-chaired by Inka Gnittke (Germany) and Wang Ye (China), with the mandate to address the outstanding issues from the sixth and seventh meetings of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation, as well as additional issues arising out of in-sessional negotiations under other agenda items for the present meetings, basing its work on text prepared by the Chair with the assistance of the Secretariat and in consultation with the contact group Co-Chairs.

9. At its 5th session, on 28 October, Working Group I heard a report by one of the Co-Chairs of the contact group on the outcome of the group's work.

10. The Chair established a group of friends of the Chair, facilitated by Ms. Gnittke and Ms. Wang Ye, to foster further discussion and explore possible areas of convergence.

11. [to be completed]

Item 9
Planning, monitoring, reporting and review

(a) Global review of collective progress in the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework

12. Working Group I began its consideration of agenda sub-item 9 (a) at its 1st session. It had before it a draft decision.[10] Five information documents had also been issued in relation to sub-item 9 (a): a note on the Kunming dialogue on collective progress in the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework in support of the global review,[11] a subregional synthesis of selected Parties from Eastern European States on collective progress in the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework,[12] a global report on

[5] CBD/COP/17/INF/17.
[6] CBD/COP/17/INF/25.
[7] CBD/RM/WS/2026/1/2.
[8] CBD/COP/17/2, sub-item 8 (b).
[9] CBD/COP/17/5/Add.1.
[10] CBD/COP/17/2, sub-item 9 (a).
[11] CBD/COP/17/INF/21.
[12] CBD/COP/17/INF/4.

collective progress in the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework,[13] a voluntary peer review of the revision and implementation of the *Plan national concernant la protection de la nature: 3e plan à l'horizon 2030* of Luxembourg[14] and a Caribbean regional report on collective progress in the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework.[15] A summary by the Co-Chairs of the Kunming dialogue on collective progress in the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework[16] and the report of the Kunming dialogue on collective progress in the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework in support of the global review[17] had also been made available as reference documents.

13. A statement was made by a representative of Saudi Arabia.[18]

14. Working Group I agreed to establish a contact group, co-chaired by Sanne Kruid (Kingdom of the Netherlands) and Sivendra Michael (Fiji), with the mandate to address the bracketed text in the draft decision.

15. At its 5th session, Working Group I heard reports by the Co-Chairs of the contact group on the outcome of the group's work.

16. The Chair informed Working Group I that the draft decision would be further considered in the plenary session, rather than by Working Group I.

(b) Monitoring framework for the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework

17. Working Group I began its consideration of agenda sub-item 9 (b) at its 1st session. It had before it a draft decision.[19] An information document containing a study on the alignment of the State of Nature metrics with the monitoring framework of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework[20] had also been issued in relation to the sub-item.

18. Working Group I agreed to establish a contact group, co-chaired by Philip Raymond (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland) and Ntakadzeni Tshidada (South Africa), with the mandate to continue work on the draft decision, basing its work on text prepared by the Chair with the assistance of the Secretariat.

19. [to be completed]

Item 10
Implementation of Article 8(j) and other provisions of the Convention on Biological Diversity related to indigenous peoples and local communities

20. Working Group I began its consideration of agenda sub-item 10 at its 1st session.

21. At the suggestion of the Chair, Working Group I agreed to consider agenda sub-items 10 (a) and 10 (b) (i) together.

(a) Modus operandi of the Subsidiary Body on Article 8(j) and Other Provisions of the Convention on Biological Diversity Related to Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities

(b) (i) Implementation of the programme of work on Article 8(j) and other provisions of the Convention related to indigenous peoples and local communities to 2030: guidelines

[13] CBD/COP/17/INF/7.
[14] CBD/COP/17/INF/12.
[15] CBD/COP/17/INF/22.
[16] CBD/IMP/OM/2026/1/8.
[17] CBD/IMP/OM/2026/1/9.
[18] Available here, at 37 minutes and 21 seconds into the recording.
[19] CBD/COP/17/2, sub-item 9 (b).
[20] CBD/COP/17/INF/3.

to strengthen the legal and policy framework for the implementation of Targets 2 and 3 of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework, including on indigenous and traditional territories, to support the protection and restoration practices led by indigenous peoples and local communities (Task 1.1); and guidelines for the inclusion and consideration of traditional lands and of resource use in spatial planning processes and environmental impact assessments (Task 1.2)

22. In considering sub-items 10 (a) and 10 (b) (i), Working Group I had before it two draft decisions, one for each sub-item.[21] In addition, a note by the Secretariat on the informal dialogue on the outcomes of the first meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Article 8(j), with a focus on its modus operandi, had been issued as an information document for sub-item 10 (a).[22]

23. Working Group I agreed to establish a contact group, co-chaired by Sikeade Egbuwalo (Nigeria) and Jennifer Tauli Corpuz (International Indigenous Forum on Biodiversity), with the mandate to resolve the outstanding issues within the scope of the two sub-items, basing its work on text prepared by the Chair with the assistance of the Secretariat and the contact group Co-Chairs.

24. [to be completed]

(b) (ii) Implementation of the programme of work on Article 8(j) and other provisions of the Convention related to indigenous peoples and local communities to 2030: process to review and update the Voluntary Glossary of Key Terms and Concepts Within the Context of Article 8(j) and Related Provisions of the Convention (Task 5.4)

25. Working Group I began its consideration of agenda item 10 (b) (ii) at its 1st session. It had before it a draft decision.[23]

26. The Chair said that he would conduct informal consultations as needed and prepare a revised version of the draft decision, in consultation with the Secretariat.

27. At its 4th session, on 23 October, Working Group I began its consideration of a draft decision submitted by the Chair.

28. A statement was made by a representative of Brazil.

29. Working Group I agreed to defer consideration of the draft decision until its next session.

30. [to be completed]

(c) In-depth dialogue on Article 8(j) and related provisions of the Convention

31. Working Group I began its consideration of agenda item 10 (c) at its 1st session. It had before it a draft decision.[24]

32. The Chair said that he would conduct informal consultations as needed and prepare a revised version of the draft decision, in consultation with the Secretariat.

33. [to be completed]

(d) Recommendations of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

34. Working Group I began its consideration of agenda item 10 (d) at its 1st session. It had before it a draft decision.[25]

[21] CBD/COP/17/2, sub-items 10 (a) and 10 (b) (i).
[22] CBD/COP/17/INF/20.
[23] CBD/COP/17/2, sub-item 10 (b) (ii).
[24] Ibid., sub-item 10 (c).
[25] Ibid., sub-item 10 (d).

35. The Chair said that he would conduct informal consultations as needed and prepare a revised version of the draft decision in consultation with the Secretariat.

36. A statement was made by a representative of the Russian Federation.

37. [to be completed]

Item 11
Digital sequence information on genetic resources

38. Working Group I began its consideration of agenda item 11 at its 1st session, in conjunction with item 15 of the agenda for the sixth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol. It had before it a draft decision.[26] It also had before it a note by the Secretariat on digital sequence information on genetic resources,[27] and its three addenda, containing the report of the Steering Committee of the Multilateral Mechanism for the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits from the Use of Digital Sequence Information on Genetic Resources, including the Cali Fund,[28] the outcomes of the work of the Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group on Allocation Methodology on the Disbursement of Funds from the Cali Fund[29] and the executive summary of a study on contribution rates, including implications for revenue generation and economic competitiveness, and on national and international standards for the identification of small, medium and large entities.[30] A note by the Secretariat containing the study itself had also been issued as an information document.[31]

39. One of the Co-Chairs of the Steering Committee of the Multilateral Mechanism presented the report of the Committee.

40. One of the Co-Chairs of the Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group on the Allocation Methodology presented the report of the Expert Group.

41. One of the Co-Chairs of the group of friends of the Co-Chairs established by the Subsidiary Body on Implementation at its seventh meeting to work on the review methodology of effectiveness of the Multilateral Mechanism reported on the work done by the group during the intersessional period.

42. As the modalities for the early submission of statements[32] had been implemented for agenda item 11, with statements submitted on an informal and voluntary basis pursuant to notification No. 2026-072 of the Secretariat, the Chair asked the Parties and observers listed in annex I to document CBD/COP/17/INF/24 and present at the session whether they objected to their statements being considered as statements officially submitted for the present item. No objections were raised.

43. Working Group I therefore agreed that the statements of the following Parties be considered as statements officially submitted under agenda item 11: Antigua and Barbuda, Australia, Bangladesh, Brazil, Canada, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, European Union and its member States, Fiji (on behalf of the Pacific small island developing States), Guatemala, Indonesia, Japan, Jordan, Madagascar, Maldives, Morocco, Norway, Republic of Korea, Senegal, Switzerland, United Kingdom and Viet Nam.[33]

[26] Ibid., item 11.
[27] CBD/COP/17/6.
[28] CBD/COP/17/6/Add.1.
[29] CBD/COP/17/6/Add.2.
[30] CBD/COP/17/6/Add.3.
[31] CBD/COP/17/INF/18.
[32] CBD/COP/17/1/Rev.1/Add.2/Rev.1-CBD/CP/MOP/12/1/Add.2/Rev.1-CBD/NP/MOP/6/1/Add.2/Rev.1, annex VI.
[33] Given that item 11 was considered in conjunction of item 15 of the agenda for the sixth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol, statements submitted by Parties to the Convention that were also party to the Nagoya Protocol under item 11 were considered to also apply to item 15.

44. Working Group I also agreed that the statements of the following observers be considered as statements officially submitted under agenda item 11: CGIAR System Organization, Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea of the United Nations, CBD Women's Caucus, Federal University of Juiz de Fora, Japan Bioindustry Association, International Chamber of Commerce, International Indigenous Forum on Biodiversity, Leibniz Institute DSMZ, Secretariat of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture, United Nations Environment Programme and World Wide Fund for Nature International.[34]

45. In addition, statements were made in session by representatives of the following Parties: Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Egypt (on behalf of the African States), European Union and its member States, Fiji (on behalf of the Pacific small island developing States), Ghana, Malawi, Panama, Philippines, Russian Federation, South Africa (on behalf of the Group of Like-minded Megadiverse Countries), United Arab Emirates and Zimbabwe.

46. At its 2nd session, on 20 October, Working Group I resumed its consideration of agenda item 11, in conjunction with item 15 of the agenda for the sixth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol.

47. Statements were made by representatives of the following Parties: Bahrain, Burundi, Cameroon, China, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Ethiopia, Guatemala, India, Indonesia, Kenya, Malaysia, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, South Africa, Türkiye, Uganda and Viet Nam.

48. Statements were also made by representatives of the CBD Alliance, the International Federation of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers and Associations, the International Indigenous Forum on Biodiversity and the Third World Network.

49. Following the exchange of views, the Chair established a group of friends of the Chair, facilitated by Daniel Mukubi Kikuni (Democratic Republic of the Congo) and Thomas Greiber (Germany) to consider the memorandum of understanding establishing the institutional arrangements for the Cali Fund for the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits from the Use of Digital Sequence Information on Genetic Resources, and other operational documents as relevant, with a view to preparing a consensus text. In addition, the group could address paragraphs 29 and 30 of the draft decision, on the issue of the selection of the members of the Steering Committee, or other related issues, as applicable, if they were considered to offer a solution to some of the points of contention. The group would conduct its work in a closed session.

50. In addition, Working Group I agreed to establish a contact group, co-chaired by Patience Gandiwa (Zimbabwe) and Helmut Gaugitsch (Austria), with the mandate to address sections I to IX of the draft decision, basing its work on text prepared by the Chair with the assistance of the Secretariat.

51. [to be completed]

Item 12
Matters relating to support mechanisms for the implementation and awareness of the Convention on Biological Diversity and the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework

(a) Capacity-building and development and technical and scientific cooperation

52. Working Group I began its consideration of agenda item 12 (a) at its 1st session. It had before it a draft decision.[35]

[34] Given that item 11 was considered in conjunction of item 15 of the agenda for the sixth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol, statements submitted by observers under item 11 were considered to also apply to item 15.
[35] CBD/COP/17/2, sub-item 12 (a).

53. Working Group I agreed to establish a contact group, co-chaired by Holly Kelley-Weil (United Kingdom) and Martha Mphatso Kalemba (Malawi), with the mandate to discuss the entire draft decision with a view to reaching consensus on all issues currently in brackets, basing its work on text prepared by the Chair with the assistance of the Secretariat.

54. Working Group I also agreed to transmit the revised draft budget for the Global Coordination Entity, contained in table 2 of annex II to the draft decision, to the contact group on budgetary matters.

55. At its 5th session, Working Group I heard a report by one of the Co-Chairs of the contact group on the outcome of the group's work, following which it considered a draft decision submitted by the Chair.

56. Statements were made by representatives of the following Parties: Brazil, Switzerland and United Kingdom.

57. [to be completed]

(b) Clearing-house mechanism and knowledge management

58. Working Group I began its consideration of agenda item 12 (b) at its 1st session. It had before it a draft decision.[36]

59. The Chair said that he would conduct informal consultations as needed and prepare a revised version of the draft decision in consultation with the Secretariat.

60. At its 3rd session, on 22 October, Working Group I considered a draft decision submitted by the Chair.

61. Statements were made by representatives of the following Parties: Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Egypt, European Union and its member States, Fiji (on behalf of the Pacific small island developing States), Gabon, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Norway, Russian Federation and Saudi Arabia.

62. Working Group I approved the draft decision, as orally amended, for transmission to the plenary session as draft decision CBD/COP/17/L.3.

(c) Communication, education and public awareness

63. Working Group I began its consideration of agenda item 12 (c) at its 1st session. It had before it a draft decision.[37]

64. The Chair said that he would conduct informal consultations as needed and prepare a revised version of the draft decision in consultation with the Secretariat.

65. At its 3rd session, Working Group I considered a draft decision submitted by the Chair.

66. Statements were made by representatives of the following Parties: Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Canada, Democratic Republic of the Congo, European Union and its member States, Fiji, Guatemala, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Morocco, Russian Federation, Switzerland and Viet Nam.

67. A representative of Argentina raised a point of order.

68. A statement was also made by a representative of the Global Youth Biodiversity Network (also on behalf of the CBD Women's Caucus).

[36] Ibid., sub-item 12 (b).
[37] Ibid., sub-item 12 (c).

69. Working Group I approved the draft decision, as orally amended, for transmission to the plenary session as draft decision CBD/COP/17/L.4.

Item 13
Cooperation with international organizations and bodies established under other conventions

70. Working Group I began its consideration of agenda item 13 at its 1st session. It had before it a draft decision[38] and a progress report on cooperation with international organizations and bodies established under other conventions.[39] Two information documents had also been issued in relation to item 13: a submission from the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations on the implementation of the Target 2 Road Map[40] and a report of the United Nations Environment Programme on its activities to support the implementation of the Convention on Biological Diversity and its Protocols.[41]

71. Working Group I agreed to establish a contact group, co-chaired by Marina von Weissenberg (Finland) and Anne Nakafeero (Uganda), with a mandate to resolve the bracketed text, basing its work on text prepared by the Chair with the assistance of the Secretariat.

72. A statement was made by a representative of the Russian Federation.

73. [to be completed]

Item 14
Mainstreaming of biodiversity and engagement with subnational governments

(a) Mainstreaming of biodiversity within and across sectors

74. Working Group I began its consideration of agenda sub-item 14 (a) at its 1st session. It had before it a draft decision.[42]

75. Working Group I agreed to establish a contact group, co-chaired by Jahidul Kabir (Bangladesh) and Scott Wilson (Canada), with a mandate to reach consensus on the text, basing its work on text prepared by the Chair with the assistance of the Secretariat.

76. At its 5th session, Working Group I heard a report by one of the Co-Chairs of the contact group on the outcome of the group's work, following which it considered a draft decision submitted by the Chair.

77. A representative of the Secretariat provided oral corrections to the draft decision.

78. Statements were made by representatives of the following Parties: Australia, Bangladesh, Brazil, European Union and its member States, Gabon, Georgia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Norway, Russian Federation and United Kingdom.

79. Following the exchange of views, the Chair said that he would prepare a revised version of the draft decision in consultation with the Secretariat, taking into account the views expressed by Parties.

80. [to be completed]

[38] Ibid., item 13.
[39] CBD/COP/17/9.
[40] CBD/COP/17/INF/19.
[41] CBD/COP/17/INF/26.
[42] CBD/COP/17/2, sub-item 14 (a).

(b) Engagement with subnational governments, cities and other local authorities to enhance the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework

81. Working Group I began its consideration of agenda item 14 (b) at its 1st session. It had before it a draft decision.[43] An information document on engagement with subnational governments, cities and other local authorities to enhance the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework[44] had also been issued in relation to sub-item 14 (b).

82. The Chair said that he would prepare a revised version of the draft decision for consideration at a later session.

83. At its 2nd session, Working Group I began its consideration of a draft decision submitted by the Chair.

84. Statements were made by representatives of the following Parties: Brazil, European Union and its member States and Gabon.

85. Following the exchange of views, Working Group I agreed to defer further consideration of the draft decision pending the outcome of informal discussions.

86. At its 5th session, Working Group I resumed its consideration of the draft decision.

87. Statements were made by representatives of the following Parties: Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, Cuba, European Union and its member States, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), New Zealand, Russian Federation, South Africa, Tuvalu and United Kingdom.

88. Working Group I agreed to convene a small group of interested Parties, moderated by a representative of Tuvalu, to hold informal discussions on the draft decision.

89. The representative of Tuvalu reported on the outcome of the small group's discussions.

90. The Chair said that informal discussions should continue and that he would prepare a revised version of the draft decision in consultation with the Secretariat, taking into account the views expressed by Parties.

91. [to be completed]

Item 15
Gender Plan of Action

92. Working Group I began its consideration of agenda item 15 at its 1st session. It had before it a draft decision.[45]

93. The Chair said that he would prepare a revised version of the draft decision for consideration at a later session.

94. At its 3rd session, Working Group I considered a draft decision submitted by the Chair.

95. Working Group I approved the draft decision for transmission to the plenary session as draft decision CBD/COP/17/L.2.

Item 19
Review of the effectiveness of processes under the Convention on Biological Diversity and its Protocols

96. Working Group I began its consideration of agenda item 19 at its 1st session, in conjunction with item 12 of the agenda for the twelfth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the

[43] Ibid., sub-item 14 (b).
[44] CBD/COP/17/INF/14.
[45] CBD/COP/17/2, item 15.

meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol and item 14 of the agenda for the sixth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol. It had before it a draft decision for the Conference of the Parties,[46] as well as a draft decision for each of the Protocols. An information document containing a compilation of views from Parties on the modalities for a possible Party-driven process to further improve the effectiveness of the processes and meetings under the Convention on Biological Diversity and its Protocols had also been issued in relation to the agenda item.[47]

97. Working Group I agreed to establish a contact group, co-chaired by Patrick Luna (Brazil) and Ida Hellmark (Norway), with a mandate to resolve all bracketed text in all three draft decisions, basing its work on text prepared by the Chair with the assistance of the Secretariat.

98. [to be completed]

Item 20
Multi-year programme of work of the Conference of the Parties

99. Working Group I began its consideration of agenda item 20 at its 1st session. It had before it a draft decision[48] and a note by the Secretariat on the multi-year programme of work of the Conference of the Parties.[49]

100. As the modalities for the early submission of statements had been implemented for agenda item 20, with statements submitted pursuant to notification No. 2026-072, the Chair asked the Parties and observers listed in annex IV to document CBD/COP/17/INF/24 and present at the session whether they objected to their statements being considered as statements officially submitted for the present item. No objections were raised.

101. Working Group I therefore agreed that the statements of the following Parties be considered as statements officially submitted under agenda item 20: Canada, Cuba, Côte d'Ivoire, Fiji (on behalf of the Pacific small island developing States), Iceland, Japan, Morocco, Republic of Korea and Switzerland.

102. Working Group I also agreed that the statements of the following observers be considered as statements officially submitted under agenda item 20: Friends of the Earth International, CBD Alliance and Rainforest Action Network.

103. In addition, statements were made in session by representatives of the following Parties: Argentina, Brazil, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Gabon, Guatemala, India, Kenya, Peru, Russian Federation, South Africa and Uganda.

104. Following the exchange of views, the Chair said that he would prepare a revised version of the draft decision in consultation with the Secretariat, taking into account the views expressed or supported by Parties.

105. [to be completed]

[46] Ibid., item 19.
[47] CBD/COP/17/INF/15-CBD/CP/MOP/12/INF/7-CBD/NP/MOP/6/INF/2.
[48] CBD/COP/17/2, item 20.
[49] CBD/COP/17/8.

II. Twelfth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol

Item 12
Review of the effectiveness of processes under the Convention on Biological Diversity and its Protocols

106. Working Group I began its consideration of agenda item 12 at its 1st session, in conjunction with item 19 of the agenda for the seventeenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention and item 14 of the agenda for the sixth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol. It had before it a draft decision for the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol,[50] as well as a draft decision each for the Conference of the Parties to the Convention and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol. An information document containing a compilation of views from Parties on the modalities for a possible Party-driven process to further improve the effectiveness of the processes and meetings under the Convention on Biological Diversity and its Protocols had also been issued in relation to the agenda item.[51]

107. Working Group I agreed to establish a contact group, co-chaired by Patrick Luna (Brazil) and Ida Hellmark (Norway), with a mandate to resolve all bracketed text in all three draft decisions, basing its work on text prepared by the Chair with the assistance of the Secretariat.

108. [to be completed]

III. Sixth meeting of the 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

Item 5
Report of the Compliance Committee

109. Working Group I began its consideration of agenda item 5 at its 2nd session. It had before it a draft decision[52] and the report of the Compliance Committee under the Nagoya Protocol on the work of its fifth meeting.[53]

110. As the modalities for the early submission of statements had been implemented for agenda item 5, with statements submitted pursuant to notification No. 2026-072, the Chair asked the Parties and observers listed in annex I to document CBD/NP/MOP/6/INF/4 and present at the session whether they objected to their statements being considered as statements officially submitted for the present item. No objections were raised.

111. Working Group I therefore agreed that the statements of the following Parties be considered as statements officially submitted under agenda item 5: Brazil, Cameroon, Chad, Côte d'Ivoire, European Union and its member States, Japan, Morocco, Norway, Republic of Korea and United Kingdom.

[50] CBD/CP/MOP/12/2, item 12.
[51] CBD/COP/17/INF/15-CBD/CP/MOP/12/INF/7.-CBD/NP/MOP/6/INF/2.
[52] CBD/NP/MOP/6/2, item 5.
[53] CBD/NP/MOP/6/3.

112. In addition, statements were made in session by representatives of the following Parties: Bahrain, Bangladesh, Democratic Republic of the Congo, India, Panama and South Africa (on behalf of the African States).

113. Following the exchange of views, the Chair said that he would prepare a revised version of the draft decision in consultation with the Secretariat, taking into account the views expressed or supported by Parties.

114. At its 3rd session, Working Group I considered a draft decision submitted by the Chair.

115. Statements were made by representatives of the following Parties: Cameroon, Egypt, Equatorial Guinea, European Union and its member States, Peru, Saudi Arabia, Seychelles and South Africa.

116. Working Group I approved the draft decision, as orally amended, for transmission to the plenary session as draft decision CBD/NP/MOP/6/L.2.

Item 7
Monitoring and reporting

117. Working Group I began its consideration of agenda item 7 at its 2nd session. It had before it a draft decision[54] and a note by the Secretariat on monitoring and reporting.[55]

118. As the modalities for the early submission of statements had been implemented for agenda item 7, with statements submitted pursuant to notification No. 2026-072, the Chair asked the Parties and observers listed in annex II to document CBD/NP/MOP/6/INF/4 and present at the session whether they had any objections to their statements being considered as statements officially submitted for the present item. No objections were raised.

119. Working Group I therefore agreed that the statements of the following Parties be considered as statements officially submitted under agenda item 7: Brazil, Cameroon, Chad, Côte d'Ivoire, European Union and its member States, Japan, Morocco, Norway and United Kingdom.

120. In addition, statements were made in session by representatives of the following Parties: Argentina, Bahrain, Bangladesh, China, Cuba, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Egypt (on behalf of the African States), India, Senegal, South Africa and United Republic of Tanzania.

121. Following the exchange of views, the Chair said that he would prepare a revised version of the draft decision in consultation with the Secretariat, taking into account the views expressed or supported by Parties.

122. At its 4th session, Working Group I considered a draft decision submitted by the Chair.

123. Statements were made by representatives of the following Parties: Brazil, India and South Africa.

124. Working Group I approved the draft decision, as orally amended, for transmission to the plenary session as draft decision CBD/NP/MOP/6/L.3.

Item 8
Assessment and review of the effectiveness of the Nagoya Protocol

125. Working Group I began its consideration of agenda item 8 at its 2nd session. It had before it a draft decision[56]. A note by the Secretariat on the second assessment and review of the effectiveness

[54] CBD/NP/MOP/6/2, item 7.
[55] CBD/NP/MOP/6/6.
[56] CBD/NP/MOP/6/2, item 8.

of the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from Their Utilization had been made available as a reference document.[57]

126. The Chair said that he would conduct informal consultations as needed and prepare a revised version of the draft decision in consultation with the Secretariat.

127. At its 4th session, Working Group I considered a draft decision submitted by the Chair.

128. Statements were made by representatives of the following Parties: Argentina, Côte d'Ivoire, Djibouti, Egypt, European Union, Guatemala, India, Japan, Malawi, Mexico, Morocco, Norway, South Africa, Switzerland, Uganda, United Kingdom and Zimbabwe.

129. The Chair invited representatives of Malawi and any other interested Parties to hold informal consultations on the margins of the meeting.

130. A representative of Malawi subsequently reported on the outcome of the consultations.

131. Working Group I approved the draft decision, as orally amended, for transmission to the plenary session as draft decision CBD/NP/MOP/6/L.4.

Item 9
Enhancing the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol

132. Working Group I began its consideration of agenda item 9 at its 2nd session.

133. At the suggestion of the Chair, Working Group I agreed to consider sub-items 9 (a) to (c) together.

(a) Capacity-building and development and awareness-raising

(b) Access and Benefit-sharing Clearing-House and information-sharing

(c) The Protocol in the context of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework

134. In considering sub-items 9 (a) to (c), Working Group I had before it a draft decision[58] and a note by the Secretariat on enhancing the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol.[59] An information document containing updated information on benefits received from access and benefit-sharing[60] had also been issued in relation to agenda item 9. In addition, the report of the Informal Advisory Committee to the Access and Benefit-sharing Clearing House on its sixth meeting[61] and the report of the Informal Advisory Committee on Capacity-building for the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol on its sixth meeting[62] had been made available as reference documents.

135. The Chair said that he would conduct informal consultations as needed and prepare a revised version of the draft decision in consultation with the Secretariat.

136. At its 4th session, Working Group I considered a draft decision submitted by the Chair.

137. Statements were made by representatives of the following Parties: Argentina, Egypt, European Union and its member States, Guatemala, India, Japan, Mexico, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Tuvalu, Uganda, United Kingdom and Zimbabwe.

[57] CBD/SBI/7/7.
[58] CBD/NP/MOP/6/2, item 9.
[59] CBD/NP/MOP/6/7.
[60] CBD/NP/MOP/6/INF/3.
[61] CBD/NP/ABSCH-IAC/6/3.
[62] CBD/NP/CB-IAC/2026/1/4.

138. Working Group I approved the draft decision, as orally amended, for transmission to the plenary session as draft decision CBD/NP/MOP/6/L.5.

Item 10
Financial mechanism and resources

139. Working Group I began its consideration of agenda item 10 at its 2nd session. It had before it a draft decision[63] and a note by the Secretariat on the financial mechanism and resources.[64] A note by the Secretariat on resource mobilization and the financial mechanism[65] and the report of the Council of the Global Environment Facility for the seventeenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention[66] had also been made available as reference documents.

140. A representative of GEF gave a report on matters related to the financial mechanism for the Nagoya Protocol.

141. As the modalities for the early submission of statements had been implemented for agenda item 10, with statements submitted pursuant to notification No. 2026-072, the Chair asked the Parties and observers listed in annex III to document CBD/NP/MOP/6/INF/4 and present at the session whether they objected to their statements being considered as statements officially submitted for the present item. No objections were raised.

142. Working Group I therefore agreed that the statements of the following Parties be considered as statements officially submitted under agenda item 10: Brazil, Cameroon, Chad, Côte d'Ivoire, Eswatini, European Union and its member States, Guatemala, Japan, Morocco, Norway, Switzerland and United Kingdom.

143. In addition, statements were made in session by representatives of the following Parties: Argentina, Burundi, Egypt, Guatemala, India, Panama, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, South Africa and Zimbabwe.

144. Following the exchange of views, the Chair said that he would prepare a revised version of the draft decision in consultation with the Secretariat, taking into account the views expressed or supported by Parties.

145. At its 4th session, Working Group I considered a draft decision submitted by the Chair.

146. Statements were made by representatives of the following Parties: Bahrain, Egypt, European Union and its member States, Guatemala, India, Mexico, Norway, South Africa, Switzerland, Uganda and United Kingdom.

147. The Chair invited representatives of Switzerland and any other interested Parties to hold informal consultations in the margins of the meeting.

148. A representative of Switzerland subsequently reported on the outcome of the consultations.

149. Statements were made by representatives of the following Parties: Democratic Republic of the Congo, European Union and its member States and Fiji (on behalf of the Pacific small island developing States).[67]

150. Working Group I approved the draft decision, as orally amended, for transmission to the plenary session as draft decision CBD/NP/MOP/6/L.6.

[63] CBD/NP/MOP/6/2, item 10.
[64] CBD/NP/MOP/6/8.
[65] CBD/COP/17/5.
[66] CBD/COP/17/5/Add.1.
[67] Available here, at 3 hours, 4 minutes and 9 seconds into the recording.

Item 11
Specialized international access and benefit-sharing instruments in the context of Article 4, paragraph 4, of the Nagoya Protocol

151. Working Group I began its consideration of agenda item 11 at its 2nd session. It had before it a draft decision[68] and a note by the Secretariat on specialized international access and benefit-sharing instruments in the context of Article 4, paragraph 4, of the Nagoya Protocol.[69]

152. Working Group I agreed to establish a contact group, co-chaired by Mery Ciacci (European Union) and Henry Ndengejeho (Namibia), with the mandate to consider the implications of the note on specialized international access and benefit-sharing instruments and to reach consensus on the bracketed text, basing its work on text prepared by the Chair with the assistance of the Secretariat.

153. [to be completed]

Item 12
Global multilateral benefit-sharing mechanism

154. Working Group I began its consideration of agenda item 12 at its 2nd session. It had before it a note by the Secretariat on the global multilateral benefit-sharing mechanism.[70]

155. As the modalities for the early submission of statements had been implemented for agenda item 12, with statements submitted pursuant to notification No. 2026-072, the Chair asked the Parties and observers listed in annex IV to document CBD/NP/MOP/6/INF/4 and present at the session whether they objected to their statements being considered as statements officially submitted for the present item. No objections were raised.

156. Working Group I therefore agreed that the statements of the following Parties be considered as statements officially submitted under agenda item 12: Cameroon, Chad, Côte d'Ivoire, Eswatini, European Union and its member States, Japan, Jordan, Morocco, Norway, Senegal, Switzerland and United Kingdom.

157. In addition, statements were made in session by representatives of the following Parties: Argentina, Brazil, China, Eswatini, Ghana, Guatemala, India, Indonesia, Malawi (on behalf of the African States), Mexico, Peru, South Africa and Uganda.

158. Following the exchange of views, Working Group I agreed to establish a contact group, co-chaired by Kim van Seeters (Kingdom of the Netherlands) and Héctor Conde Almeida (Cuba), with the mandate to develop a draft decision on the matter, taking into account the views expressed or supported by Parties.

159. [to be completed]

Item 13
Cooperation with international organizations, bodies established under other conventions, and initiatives

160. Working Group I began its consideration of agenda item 13 at its 2nd session. It had before it a note by the Secretariat on cooperation with international organizations, bodies established under other conventions, and initiatives.[71]

161. As the modalities for the early submission of statements had been implemented for agenda item 13, with statements submitted pursuant to notification No. 2026-072, the Chair asked the Parties and observers listed in annex V to document CBD/NP/MOP/6/INF/4 and present at the session

[68] CBD/NP/MOP/6/2, item 11.
[69] CBD/NP/MOP/6/9.
[70] CBD/NP/MOP/6/10.
[71] CBD/NP/MOP/6/11.

whether they objected to their statements being considered as statements officially submitted for the present item. No objections were raised.

162. Working Group I therefore agreed that the statements of the following Parties be considered as statements officially submitted under agenda item 13: Chad, Côte d'Ivoire, Morocco and Norway.

163. Working Group I also agreed that the statements of the following observers be considered as statements officially submitted under agenda item 13: Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea of the United Nations and Secretariat of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture.

164. In addition, a statement was made in session by a representative of the World Health Organization.

165. Working Group I took note of the information presented in document CBD/NP/MOP/6/11.

Item 14
Review of the effectiveness of processes under the Convention on Biological Diversity and its Protocols

166. Working Group I began its consideration of agenda item 14 at its 1st session, in conjunction with item 19 of the agenda for the seventeenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention and item 12 of the agenda for the twelfth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol. It had before it a draft decision for the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol,[72] as well as a draft decision for each of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol. An information document containing a compilation of views from Parties on the modalities for a possible Party-driven process to further improve the effectiveness of the processes and meetings under the Convention on Biological Diversity and its Protocols had also been issued in relation to the agenda item.[73]

167. Working Group I agreed to establish a contact group, co-chaired by Patrick Luna (Brazil) and Ida Hellmark (Norway), with a mandate to resolve all bracketed text in all three draft decisions, basing its work on text prepared by the Chair with the assistance of the Secretariat.

168. [to be completed]

Item 15
Digital sequence information on genetic resources

169. Working Group I began its consideration of agenda item 15 at its 1st session, in conjunction with item 11 of the agenda for the seventeenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention. It had before it a draft decision.[74] It also had before it a note by the Secretariat on digital sequence information on genetic resources,[75] and its three addenda, containing the report of the Steering Committee of the Multilateral Mechanism for the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits from the Use of Digital Sequence Information on Genetic Resources, including the Cali Fund,[76] the outcomes of the work of the Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group on Allocation Methodology on the Disbursement of Funds from the Cali Fund[77] and the executive summary of a study on contribution rates, including implications for revenue generation and economic competitiveness, and on national

[72] CBD/NP/MOP/6/2, item 14.
[73] CBD/COP/17/INF/15-CBD/CP/MOP/12/INF/7-CBD/NP/MOP/6/INF/2.
[74] CBD/COP/17/2, item 11.
[75] CBD/COP/17/6.
[76] CBD/COP/17/6/Add.1.
[77] CBD/COP/17/6/Add.2.

and international standards for the identification of small, medium and large entities.[78] A note by the Secretariat containing the study itself had also been issued as an information document.[79]

170. In addition to the statements that had been submitted pursuant to notification No. 2026-072 under item 11 of the agenda for the seventeenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention,[80] statements were made in session by representatives of the following Parties to the Nagoya Protocol: Argentina, Brazil, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Egypt (on behalf of the African States), European Union and its member States, Fiji (on behalf of the Pacific small island developing States), Ghana, Malawi, Panama, Philippines, South Africa (on behalf of the Group of Like-minded Megadiverse Countries), United Arab Emirates and Zimbabwe.

171. At its 2nd session, Working Group I resumed its consideration of agenda item 15, in conjunction with item 11 of the agenda for the seventeenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention.

172. Statements were made by representatives of the following Parties to the Nagoya Protocol: Bahrain, Burundi, Cameroon, China, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Ethiopia, Guatemala, India, Indonesia, Kenya, Malaysia, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, South Africa, Uganda and Viet Nam.

173. Statements were also made by representatives of the CBD Alliance, the International Federation of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers and Associations, the International Indigenous Forum on Biodiversity and the Third World Network.

174. Following the exchange of views, the Chair established a group of friends of the Chair, facilitated by Daniel Mukubi Kikuni (Democratic Republic of the Congo) and Thomas Greiber (Germany) to consider the memorandum of understanding establishing the institutional arrangements for the Cali Fund for the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits from the Use of Digital Sequence Information on Genetic Resources, and other operational documents as relevant, with a view to preparing a consensus text. In addition, the group could address paragraphs 29 and 30 of the draft decision, on the issue of the selection of the members of the Steering Committee, or other related issues, as applicable, if they were considered to offer a solution to some of the points of contention. The group would conduct its work in a closed session.

175. In addition, Working Group I agreed to establish a contact group, co-chaired by Patience Gandiwa (Zimbabwe) and Helmut Gaugitsch (Austria), with the mandate to address sections I to IX of the draft decision, basing its work on text prepared by the Chair with the assistance of the Secretariat.

176. [to be completed].

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[78] CBD/COP/17/6/Add.3.
[79] CBD/COP/17/INF/18.
[80] See para. [xx under item 11].