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Long-term strategic approach to mainstreaming biodiversity within and across sectors **Draft decision submitted by the Chair of Working Group I**

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling Article 6 (b) of the Convention, which requires Contracting Parties to integrate, as far as possible and as appropriate, the conservation and sustainable use of biological diversity into relevant sectoral or cross-sectoral plans, programmes, and policies,

Reiterating the critical importance of mainstreaming biodiversity across government and society in order to achieve the objectives of the Convention, and the urgent need to mainstream biodiversity in line with the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework,

Emphasizing the importance of intensified mainstreaming action to achieve the transformational change needed in order to attain the 2050 vision, while acknowledging the specific challenges faced by developing countries in supporting mainstreaming policies and the need for adequate means of implementation and enhanced international cooperation,

1. *Welcomes* the work of the Informal Advisory Group on Biodiversity Mainstreaming, as reflected in the progress report of the Executive Secretary to the Subsidiary Body on Implementation at its third meeting¹ as well as the new submissions as compiled in documents CBD/COP/15/INF/10, 11 and 12;
2. *Requests* Parties, and *invites* other Governments, international organizations and relevant stakeholders to submit their views on the draft Long-Term Approach and associated Action Plan, and to identify ways forward to support implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework;
3. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to organize an open-ended online forum through the clearing-house mechanism, to further submit views on the reports and outcomes as mentioned above in paragraphs 1 and 2, and to compile these views in a report, including on an interim process, for submission to the Subsidiary Body on Implementation for consideration at its fourth meeting.

¹ CBD/SBI/3/13.