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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

Fourth meeting – Part II

Montreal, Canada, 7–19 December 2022

Agenda item 18

DRAFT REPORT OF THE MEETING*

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INTRODUCTION

1. 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 held its fourth meeting in conjunction with the fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention and the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety.
2. Owing to the circumstances surrounding the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic, the meeting was held in two parts, with the first part held online, with limited in-person participation in Kunming, China, on 12 and 13 October 2021, and the second part held in person in Montreal, Canada, from 7 to 19 December 2022. The present report contains the proceedings of the second part of the meeting.¹
3. The second part of the meeting was preceded by a ceremonial welcome by the Traditional Chief of the Onondaga Nation, Tadodaho Sid Hill, followed by statements by the Prime Minister of Canada, Justin Trudeau, the Secretary-General of the United Nations, the Minister of Ecology and Environment of China and President of the fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention, Huang Runqiu, the Prime Minister of Quebec, François Legault, the Mayor of Montreal, Valérie Plante, and the Mayor of Kunming, Liu Jiachen, as well as a cultural presentation, on 6 December 2022.

B. Attendance

4. All States were invited to participate in the second part of the meeting. The following Parties to the Nagoya Protocol attended:

Albania	Austria	Belgium
Angola	Bahamas	Benin
Antigua and Barbuda	Bahrain	Bhutan
Argentina	Belarus	

* The present document is based on document CBD/NP/MOP/4/L.1, issued on 19 December 2022 but not considered owing to the suspension of the meeting, as updated to include the proceedings of that day, and document CBD/COP/15/L.1/Add.2, which was approved by Working Group II at its 10th meeting, on 16 December.

¹ The report of the first part I of the fourth meeting was issued as document CBD/NP/MOP/4/4.

Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	Honduras	Philippines
Botswana	Hungary	Portugal
Brazil	India	Qatar
Bulgaria	Indonesia	Republic of Korea
Burkina Faso	Japan	Republic of Moldova
Burundi	Jordan	Romania
Cambodia	Kazakhstan	Rwanda
Cameroon	Kenya	Saint Kitts and Nevis
Central African Republic	Kiribati	Saint Lucia
Chad	Kuwait	Samoa
China	Kyrgyzstan	Sao Tome and Principe
Comoros	Lao People's Democratic Republic	Saudi Arabia
Congo	Lebanon	Senegal
Côte d'Ivoire	Lesotho	Serbia
Croatia	Liberia	Seychelles
Cuba	Luxembourg	Sierra Leone
Czechia	Madagascar	Slovakia
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	Malawi	Solomon Islands
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Malaysia	South Africa
Denmark	Maldives	Spain
Djibouti	Mali	Sudan
Dominican Republic	Malta	Sweden
Ecuador	Marshall Islands	Switzerland
Egypt	Mauritania	Syrian Arab Republic
Eritrea	Mauritius	Tajikistan
Estonia	Mexico	Togo
Eswatini	Micronesia (Federated States of)	Tonga
Ethiopia	Mongolia	Tunisia
European Union	Morocco	Turkmenistan
Fiji	Mozambique	Tuvalu
Finland	Namibia	Uganda
France	Nepal	Ukraine
Gabon	Netherlands	United Arab Emirates
Gambia	Nicaragua	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
Germany	Niger	United Republic of Tanzania
Ghana	Nigeria	Uruguay
Greece	Norway	Vanuatu
Guatemala	Oman	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)
Guinea	Pakistan	Viet Nam
Guinea-Bissau	Palau	Zambia
Guyana	Panama	Zimbabwe
	Peru	

5. The following States not party to the Nagoya Protocol were also represented:²

Algeria	Azerbaijan	Belize
Armenia	Bangladesh	Bosnia and Herzegovina
Australia	Barbados	Cabo Verde

² See annex to the draft report of the Conference of the Parties on its fifteenth meeting for the list of organizations represented at the meeting.

Canada	Israel	Saint Vincent and the
Chile	Italy	Grenadines
Colombia	Jamaica	Singapore
Cook Islands	Latvia	Slovenia
Costa Rica	Libya	Somalia
Cyprus	Liechtenstein	South Sudan
Dominica	Lithuania	Sri Lanka
El Salvador	Monaco	State of Palestine
Equatorial Guinea	Nauru	Suriname
Georgia	New Zealand	Thailand
Grenada	Niue	Timor-Leste
Haiti	North Macedonia	Trinidad and Tobago
Holy See	Papua New Guinea	Türkiye
Iceland	Paraguay	United States of America
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	Poland	Uzbekistan
Ireland	Russian Federation	Yemen

Item 1. Opening of the meeting

6. The 1st plenary session was held jointly with those of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention and of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol, on 7 December 2022. The President of the three bodies, the Minister of Ecology and Environment of China, declared the second part of the meetings open at 10.25 a.m.³

Item 2. Organizational matters

A. Election of officers

7. Pursuant to Article 26, paragraph 3, of the Nagoya Protocol, the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention also served as the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol.

8. At its 1st plenary session, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol noted that the President, the Vice-Presidents and the Rapporteur who had served during the first part of the fourth meeting would continue to fulfil their functions, with the exception of two of the Vice-Presidents, who had since been replaced.⁴

9. At the 5th plenary session, on 19 December, following the lack of consensus with regard to nominations of Bureau members and the Chair of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice, as well as the lack of a quorum to make a decision in that regard, the President proposed to suspend the second part of the meetings of the three bodies to allow Parties to consider the matter at a resumed session of the meetings, to be convened at a later date.⁵

B. Adoption of the agenda

10. The agenda for the fourth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol, as adopted during the first part of the meeting, was as follows:

1. Opening of the meeting.

³ See CBD/COP/15/Part-II/L.1/Rev.1, paras. 7–21, for opening remarks and statements.

⁴ Vinod Mathur (India) was replaced by Naresh Pal Gangwar and Andrea Meza Murillo (Costa Rica) was replaced by Eugenia Arguedas Montezuma.

⁵ See CBD/COP/15/Part-II/L.1/Rev.1, paras. 23–28 for further information.

2. Organizational matters.
3. Report on the credentials of representatives to the fourth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol.
4. Reports of subsidiary bodies.
5. Report of the Compliance Committee (Article 30).
6. Administration of the Protocol and budget for the trust funds.
7. Financial mechanism and resources (Article 25).
8. Measures to assist in capacity-building and capacity development (Article 22) and measures to raise awareness of the importance of genetic resources and associated traditional knowledge (Article 21).
9. The Access and Benefit-sharing Clearing-House and information-sharing (Article 14).
10. Monitoring and reporting (Article 29).
11. Cooperation with other international organizations, conventions and initiatives.
12. Review of the effectiveness of structures and processes.
13. Post-2020 global biodiversity framework.
14. Digital sequence information on genetic resources.
15. Specialized international access and benefit-sharing instruments in the context of Article 4, paragraph 4, of the Nagoya Protocol.
16. Global multilateral benefit-sharing mechanism (Article 10).
17. Other matters.
18. Adoption of the report.
19. Closure of the meeting.

C. Organization of work

11. At its 1st plenary session, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol considered a note by the Executive Secretary on the proposed organization of work for the second part of its fourth meeting (CBD/NP/MOP/4/1/Add.4/Rev.1) and agreed to organize its work as set out therein. The three bodies, which held the session jointly, established two working groups to serve them and elected Rosemary Paterson (New Zealand) as Chair of Working Group I and Helena Jeffery Brown (Antigua and Barbuda) as Chair of Working Group II.

First stocktake session

12. On 10 December, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol held its 2nd plenary session, which served in part as a stocktake session. The session was held jointly with 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, and the Chairs of the Working Groups and of the budget contact group reported on the progress made to date.⁶

⁶ See CBD/COP/15/Part-II/L.1/Rev.1, para. 32, for statements.

First meeting of the heads of delegation

13. On 14 December, a meeting of heads of delegation was held jointly with 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, to discuss the progress made to date on the key issues under consideration.⁷

Ministerial consultations

14. On 15 December, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol held the opening plenary session of the high-level segment of the meeting jointly with 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.⁸

Second stocktake session

15. On 17 December, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol held its 3rd plenary session, which served as a second stocktake session. The session was held jointly with 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, and the Chairs of Working Groups I and II and of the contact group on budget reported on the progress made to date.⁹

Second meeting of the heads of delegation

16. On 18 December, a second meeting of heads of delegation was held jointly with the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol to review the draft decisions prepared by the President for the key agenda items associated with the post-2020 global biodiversity framework.¹⁰

Item 3. Report on the credentials of representatives to the fourth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol

17. At its 1st plenary session, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol noted that, in accordance with the relevant rules of procedure for meetings of the Conference of the Parties, the Bureau had reviewed the list of observers admitted to the meeting (CBD/COP/15/INF/2) and would examine the credentials of delegations and report thereon at a later session.

18. Accordingly, at the 2nd plenary session, Eric Okoree (Ghana), designated by the Bureau during the first part of the meeting as its representative to report on credentials, informed the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol that 131 Parties were registered as attending the meeting. The Bureau had examined the credentials of the representatives of 100 Parties that were attending the meeting. The credentials of 84 delegations were in full compliance with rule 18 of the rules of procedure, while those of 16 delegations did not fully comply with it and a further 31 delegations had not presented their credentials to date.

19. At the 4th plenary session, on 19 December, Ms. Jeffery Brown, speaking on behalf of Mr. Okoree, presented the report on credentials (CBD/NP/MOP/4/INF/6/Rev.1). She informed the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol that 134 Parties were registered as attending the meeting. The Bureau had examined the credentials of the representatives of 119 Parties that were attending the meeting. The credentials of 106 delegations were in full compliance with rule 18 of the rules of procedure, while those of 13 delegations did not fully comply with it and a further 15 delegations had not presented their credentials to date.

⁷ Ibid., para. 34, for statements.

⁸ Ibid., para. 35, for further information on the ministerial consultations.

⁹ Ibid., paras. 37–40, for further information.

¹⁰ Ibid., para. 42, for statements.

20. A number of heads of delegations had signed a declaration to the effect that they would submit their credentials, in the proper form and in their original version, to the Executive Secretary within 30 days of the closure of the meeting, and no later than 19 January 2023. In keeping with past practice, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol agreed to the Bureau's proposal that those delegations that had yet to submit their credentials or that had submitted credentials that did not fully comply with the provisions of rule 18 should be allowed to participate in the meeting on a provisional basis.

21. As at 18 December 2022, formal credentials issued by the Head of State or Government, by the Minister for Foreign Affairs or, in the case of a regional economic integration organization, by the competent authority, as provided for in rule 18 of the rules of procedure, had been submitted for the representatives of the following 106 Parties participating in the second part of the fourth meeting: Albania, Angola, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Austria, Bahamas, Bahrain, Belarus, Belgium, Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Botswana, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Cambodia, Cameroon, China, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cuba, Czechia, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, Eritrea, Estonia, Eswatini, Ethiopia, European Union, Fiji, Finland, France, Gambia, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Guinea Bissau, Guyana, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Japan, Kenya, Kiribati, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Lesotho, Liberia, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malawi, Maldives, Malta, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Micronesia (Federated States of), Mongolia, Morocco, Mozambique, Namibia, Netherlands, Nicaragua, Niger, Norway, Oman, Palau, Panama, Peru, Philippines, Portugal, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Rwanda, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Samoa, Serbia, Seychelles, Slovakia, South Africa, Spain, Sudan, Sweden, Switzerland, Syrian Arab Republic, Tajikistan, Togo, Tonga, Tunisia, Tuvalu, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Vanuatu, Viet Nam, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

22. As at 19 January 2023, the following additional eight Parties had submitted valid credentials: Gabon, Honduras, Malaysia, Mali, Nepal, Saudi Arabia, Solomon Islands and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of).

Item 4. Reports of subsidiary bodies

23. At its 1st plenary session, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol had before it reports of the intersessional work undertaken since the first part of its fourth meeting, namely, the report of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice on its twenty-fourth meeting (CBD/SBSTTA/24/12), the report of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation on its third meeting (CBD/SBI/3/21) and the reports of the Open-ended Working Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework on the second part of its third meeting and on its fourth and fifth meetings (CBD/WG2020/3/7, CBD/WG2020/4/4 and CBD/WG2020/5/5, respectively).

24. The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol then heard oral reports from the Chairs of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice and the Subsidiary Body on Implementation and the Co-Chairs of the Open-ended Working Group on the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework.

25. The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol took note of the information provided and agreed to consider the subsidiary bodies' recommendations under the relevant agenda items.

Item 5. Report of the Compliance Committee (Article 30)

26. At the 1st plenary session, the Chair of the Compliance Committee under the Nagoya Protocol provided a brief review of the report of the Compliance Committee on the work of its sixteenth and seventeenth meetings, as set out in document CBD/NP/MOP/4/2, which had been presented during the first part of the fourth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol. In accordance with the organization of work, substantive matters arising from the report were referred to Working Groups I and II for consideration.

27. Pursuant to a notification issued by the Secretariat on 1 September 2022, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol extended the term of 10 members of the

Committee, two from each region, for two more years. It also agreed that five new members, one from each region, would be elected later in the meeting to replace the five members listed in the annex to the notification whose terms would end on 31 December 2022.¹¹

28. Working Group II considered agenda item 5 at its 3rd meeting, on 8 December. It had before it a draft decision based on the recommendations of the Compliance Committee contained in the annex to document CBD/NP/MOP/4/2, as set out in the compilation of draft decisions (CBD/NP/MOP/4/1/Add.5).

29. Statements were made by the representatives of Argentina, Chad, Côte d'Ivoire, the European Union and its 27 member States, India, Japan, Kenya, the Republic of Korea, South Africa, Switzerland, Uganda, the United Kingdom and Uruguay.

30. Working Group II agreed that its Chair would prepare a revised draft decision for its consideration, taking account of the statements made.

31. At its 5th meeting, on 9 December, Working Group II considered the revised draft decision submitted by its Chair and approved it for transmission to the plenary session as draft decision CBD/NP/MOP/4/L.4.

32. At its 2nd plenary session, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol adopted the draft decision as decision NP-4/2.

Item 6. Administration of the Protocol and budget for the trust funds

33. At the 1st plenary session, the Executive Secretary reported on the activities of the Secretariat and presented the proposed budget for the programmes of work of the Convention and its Protocols for the biennium 2023–2024 (CBD/COP/15/7).

34. The three bodies established a contact group on budget, chaired by Hamdallah Zedan (Egypt), with the mandate to consider the proposed budget for the biennium 2023–2024 in detail.

35. The Chair of the contact group on budget reported on the group's work at the two stocktake plenary sessions.

36. At the 5th plenary session, the Chair of the contact group on budget provided his final report on the group's work.

37. The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol then considered draft decision CBD/NP/MOP/4/L.11 submitted by the Chair of the contact group on budget and adopted it as decision NP-4/12.

Item 7. Financial mechanism and resources (Article 25)

38. Working Group II considered agenda item 7 at its 2nd meeting, on 8 December. It had before it a note by the Executive Secretary (CBD/NP/MOP/4/10) and a draft decision, as set out in the compilation of draft decisions.

39. Statements were made by the representatives of Argentina, the European Union and its 27 member States and the United Kingdom.

40. Working Group II agreed that the Chair would prepare a revised draft decision, taking account of the statements made.

41. At its 5th meeting, Working Group II considered the revised draft decision submitted by its Chair and approved it for transmission to the plenary session as draft decision CBD/NP/MOP/4/L.7.

¹¹ Owing to the suspension of the fourth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol, the election of the members of the Compliance Committee was eventually not held (see CBD/COP/15/Part-II/L.1/Rev.1, paras. 22–28).

42. At its 2nd plenary session, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol adopted the draft decision, as orally amended, as decision NP-4/8.

Item 8. Measures to assist in capacity-building and capacity development (Article 22) and measures to raise awareness of the importance of genetic resources and associated traditional knowledge (Article 21)

43. Working Group II considered agenda item 8 at its 1st meeting, on 7 December. It had before it a progress report on measures to assist in capacity-building and awareness raising (Articles 22 and 21) (CBD/NP/MOP/4/5) and notes by the Executive Secretary on an overview of capacity-building and development initiatives providing direct support to countries for the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol (CBD/NP/MOP/4/INF/1), an overview of access and benefit-sharing capacity-building tools and resources (CBD/NP/MOP/4/INF/2) and feedback on the toolkit on communication, education and public awareness and updates on awareness-raising measures (CBD/NP/MOP/4/INF/3).

44. Statements were made by the representatives of the European Union and its 27 member States, India and the United Kingdom.

45. Working Group II agreed that its Chair would prepare a revised draft decision for its consideration, taking account of the statements made.

46. At its 5th meeting, Working Group II considered the revised draft decision submitted by its Chair and approved it for transmission to the plenary session as draft decision CBD/NP/MOP/4/L.5.

47. At its 2nd plenary session, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol adopted the draft decision, as orally amended, as decision NP-4/7.

Item 9. The Access and Benefit-sharing Clearing-House and information-sharing (Article 14)

48. Working Group II considered agenda item 9 at its 1st meeting. It had before it a draft decision, as set out in the compilation of draft decisions, a note by the Executive Secretary containing a report on progress in the operation of the Access and Benefit-sharing Clearing-House (CBD/NP/MOP/4/6) and the report of the Informal Advisory Committee to the Access and Benefit-sharing Clearing House on its fourth meeting (CBD/NP/ABSCH-IAC/2019/1/3).

49. Statements were made by the representatives of Argentina, the European Union and its 27 member States, India, Kenya, South Africa, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the United Republic of Tanzania.

50. Working Group II agreed that its Chair would prepare a revised draft decision for its consideration, taking account of the statements made.

51. At its 5th meeting, Working Group II considered the revised draft decision submitted by its Chair and approved it for transmission to the plenary session as draft decision CBD/NP/MOP/4/L.3.

52. At its 2nd plenary session, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol adopted the draft decision as decision NP-4/4.

Item 10. Monitoring and reporting (Article 29)

53. Working Group II considered agenda item 10 at its 1st meeting. It had before it a draft decision, as set out in the compilation of draft decisions, a related note by the Executive Secretary (CBD/NP/MOP/4/7) and another note containing a reference table of revisions made to the format for the first national report under the Nagoya Protocol (CBD/NP/MOP/4/INF/5).

54. Statements were made by the representative of Argentina, Côte d'Ivoire, the Democratic Republic of the Congo (on behalf of the African States), the European Union and its 27 member States, India, Japan, Kenya, Malawi, South Africa and the United Kingdom.

55. Working Group II agreed that its Chair would prepare a revised draft decision for its consideration, taking account of the statements made.

56. At its 5th meeting, Working Group II considered the revised draft decision submitted by its Chair and approved it for transmission to the plenary session as draft decision CBD/NP/MOP/4/L.6.

57. At its 2nd plenary session, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol adopted the draft decision, as orally amended, as decision NP-4/3.

Item 11. Cooperation with other international organizations, conventions and initiatives

58. Working Group II considered agenda item 11 at its 3rd meeting. It had before it a related note by the Executive Secretary (CBD/NP/MOP/4/8) and another note containing further information from international processes related to access and benefit-sharing (CBD/NP/MOP/4/INF/4).

59. Working Group II took note of the information provided.

Item 12. Review of the effectiveness of structures and processes

60. Working Group II considered agenda item 12 at its 2nd meeting, in conjunction with agenda item 17 on the fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention and agenda item 13 of the tenth 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 based on recommendation 3/13 of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation, as set out in the compilations of draft decisions of the three bodies (CBD/NP/MOP/4/1/Add.5, CBD/COP/15/2, CBD/CP/MOP/10/1/Add.5).

61. At its 6th meeting, on 10 December, Working Group II considered a revised draft decision submitted by its Chair under agenda item 17 of the fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention and, following the latter's approval under that agenda item, also approved it, with the appropriate changes, for transmission to the plenary session as draft decision CBD/NP/MOP/4/L.8.

62. At its 2nd plenary session, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol adopted the draft decision as decision NP-4/9.

Item 13. Post-2020 global biodiversity framework

63. Working Group I considered agenda item 13 at its 1st meeting, in conjunction with sub-item 9 A of the agenda of the fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention. It had before it a note by the Executive Secretary on enhancing the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol in the context of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework (CBD/NP/MOP/4/9).

64. Working Group I agreed to resume its consideration of agenda item 13 at a later stage of the meeting, once discussion of sub-item 9 A of the agenda of the fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention had progressed.

65. At its 4th meeting, on 19 December, Working Group I considered a draft decision submitted by its Chair and approved it for transmission to the plenary session as draft decision CBD/NP/MOP/4/L.12.

66. At its 5th plenary session, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties adopted the draft decision as decision NP-4/5.

Item 14. Digital sequence information on genetic resources

67. Working Group I considered agenda item 14 at its 1st meeting, in conjunction with agenda item 11 of the fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention.

68. Working Group I agreed to resume its consideration of agenda item 14 at a later stage of the meeting, once discussion of agenda item 11 of the fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention had progressed.

69. At its 4th meeting, Working Group I considered a draft decision submitted by its Chair and approved it for transmission to the plenary session as draft decision CBD/NP/4/MOP/L.13.

70. At its 5th plenary session, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol adopted the draft decision as decision NP-4/6.

Item 15. Specialized international access and benefit-sharing instruments in the context of Article 4, paragraph 4, of the Nagoya Protocol

71. Working Group II considered agenda item 15 at its 3rd meeting. It had before it a draft decision based on recommendation 3/16 of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation, as set out in the compilation of draft decisions.

72. Statements were made by the representatives of Brazil, China, the European Union and its 27 member States, Japan, Mexico, Namibia, Norway, the Republic of Korea, Switzerland and the United Kingdom.

73. Working Group II agreed to establish a group of friends of the Chair to discuss the matter, co-facilitated by Mery Ciacchi (European Union) and Patience Gandiwa (Zimbabwe) and composed of the representatives who had made interventions, as well as other Parties.

74. At its 9th meeting, on 16 December, Working Group II heard a report by the co-facilitators of the group of friends of the Chair, which had been unable to resolve the outstanding issues.

75. Statements were made by the representatives of Argentina, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Brazil, Ethiopia (on behalf of the African States), the European Union and its 27 member States, Malawi, Malaysia, Mexico, Namibia, Norway, the Republic of Korea, the United Kingdom and Uruguay.

76. Working Group II agreed that its Chair would prepare a new draft decision for its consideration.

77. At its 10th meeting, on 16 December, Working Group II considered the draft decision submitted by its Chair and approved it for transmission to the plenary session as draft decision CBD/NP/MOP/4/L.9.

78. At its 5th plenary session, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol adopted the draft decision as decision NP-4/11.

Item 16. Global multilateral benefit-sharing mechanism (Article 10)

79. Working Group II considered agenda item 16 at its 3rd meeting. It had before it a draft decision based on recommendation 3/17 of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation, as set out in the compilation of draft decisions.

80. Working Group II agreed to defer its consideration of agenda item 16 until discussion on related issues under other agenda items had progressed.

81. At its 10th meeting, Working Group II considered a draft decision submitted by its Chair and approved it for transmission to the plenary session as draft decision CBD/NP/MOP/4/L.10.

82. At its 5th plenary session, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol adopted the draft decision as decision NP-4/10.

Item 17. Other matters

83. In view of the President's decision, under sub-item 2 A of the agenda, to suspend the meeting, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol did not consider agenda item 17.

Item 18. Adoption of the report

84. In view of the President's decision, under item 2 A of the agenda, to suspend the meeting, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol did not consider agenda item 18.

Item 19. Closure of the meeting

85. As indicated under sub-item 2 A of the agenda, it did not prove possible to conduct the election of officers and conclude the second part of the fourth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol at its 5th plenary session.

86. Accordingly, the President proposed to suspend the fourth meeting to allow Parties to resolve their differences relating to the election of officers at a resumed session of the meeting, to be convened at a later date, and requested members of the Bureau of the meeting and officers of other bodies to remain in office until the conclusion of the resumed session. No Party expressed any view otherwise.

87. Following the customary exchange of courtesies, the President suspended the meeting at 1 a.m. on 20 December 2022.
