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DECISION ADOPTED BY THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY AT ITS EIGHTH MEETING

VIII/29. Liability and redress

The Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity,

Recalling its decisions VI/11 and VII/17,

- 1. Welcomes the report of the Group of Legal and Technical Experts on Liability and Redress in the Context of Paragraph 2 of Article 14 of the Convention (UNEP/CBD/COP/8/27/Add.3);
- 2. *Invites* Parties and other Governments to submit to the Executive Secretary examples of national/domestic legislation and case-studies relating to liability and redress for damage to biological diversity, including approaches to valuation and restoration, and *requests* the Executive Secretary to compile this information and disseminate it through the clearing-house mechanism;
- Requests the Executive Secretary to gather and compile technical information relating to damage to biological diversity and approaches to valuation and restoration of damage to biological diversity as well as information on national/domestic measures and experiences, focusing in particular on the issues identified in the conclusions of the Group of Legal and Technical Experts on Liability and Redress and to prepare a synthesis report for examination by the ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties in accordance with paragraph 2 of article 14 of the Convention;
- 4. *Reiterates* its call to Parties, Governments and relevant international organizations in paragraph 3 of decision VI/11 to cooperate with a view to strengthening capacities at the national level with regard to measures for the prevention of damage to biological diversity, establishment and implementation of national legislative regimes, and policy and administrative measures on liability and redress, and to provide financial resources for this purpose.
