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### CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY

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#### **DECISION ADOPTED BY THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY AT ITS NINTH MEETING**

##### *IX/10. Preparation of the third edition of the Global Biodiversity Outlook*

###### *The Conference of the Parties*

1. *Welcomes* the scope and format, work plan, communication strategy and financial plan for the development of the third edition of the Global Biodiversity Outlook contained in document UNEP/CBD/COP/9/15 and *requests* the Executive Secretary to proceed with the preparations for Global Biodiversity Outlook on the basis of this plan;
2. *Further requests* the Executive Secretary to inform Parties on a quarterly basis on progress made in the preparation of the third edition of the Global Biodiversity Outlook and to make this information available through the clearing-house mechanism of the Convention;
3. *Welcomes with appreciation* the financial contributions made by Germany and Japan for the early stages of preparation of the third edition of the Global Biodiversity Outlook;
4. *Requests* the Global Environment Facility and *invites* Parties, other Governments and donors, to make timely financial contributions for the preparation and production of the third edition of the Global Biodiversity Outlook and ancillary products. These funds should be provided as early as possible so that the Global Biodiversity Outlook can be finalized in advance of the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties, in all United Nations languages, and with a draft available for review at the fourteenth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice;
5. *Encourages* the 2010 Biodiversity Indicators Partnership to continue to make progress on their contribution to the third Global Biodiversity Outlook, and *welcomes* the establishment of a Scientific Advisory Body, with involvement of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advices, responsible for setting data and methodology standards, reviewing and advising on development plans and outputs, and advising on quality assurance for their input to the Global Biodiversity Outlook;
6. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to notify the organizations participating in the Biodiversity Indicators Partnership about the timetable for preparing the various products of third edition

of Global Biodiversity Outlook and *invites* those organizations to make available the latest scientific information in accordance with the production plan for Global Biodiversity Outlook;

7. *Urges* Parties and *invites* other Governments, organizations and relevant scientific bodies to make available relevant data on status and trends of biological diversity, progress in the implementation of the Convention including its Strategic Plan and lessons learned in carrying out actions designed to contribute to a significant reduction in the rate of biodiversity loss and the achievement of the three objectives of the Convention, including by timely submission of the fourth national reports for use in the third edition of the Global Biodiversity Outlook.

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