NP-1/12. Improving the efficiency of structures and processes under the Convention and the Protocols: concurrent meetings of the Conference of the Parties and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocols

The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol,

Recalling Article 26, paragraph 6, of the Nagoya Protocol, which specifies that subsequent ordinary meetings of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol should be held concurrently with ordinary meetings of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention unless otherwise decided by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol,

Recognizing that planning for the organization of concurrent meetings of the Conference of the Parties and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Protocols is an iterative process,

Recognizing also the need for ensuring the availability of financial resources to support the participation of representatives of developing country Parties, in particular the least developed and small island developing States among them, and Parties with economies in transition, as well as representatives of indigenous and local communities, in the concurrent meetings with a view to maintaining legitimacy and transparency,

Taking note of the decision of the Conference of the Parties at its the twelfth meeting and, the decision of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol at its seventh meeting on the organization of concurrent meetings,

1. Decides to hold its future ordinary meetings concurrent with the meetings of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention and the meetings of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety within a two-week period;
2. Requests the Executive Secretary to prepare the organization of work of the second meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol in accordance with the process outlined in decision XII/27 of the Conference of the Parties;

3. Calls upon developed country Parties to increase their contributions to the relevant voluntary trust funds to ensure the full and effective participation of representatives from developing country Parties, in particular the least developed and small island developing States among them, and Parties with economies in transition, as well as representatives of indigenous and local communities, in the concurrent meetings, and encourages other Governments and donors to also contribute to that end;

4. Decides to review, at its third and fourth meetings, the experience with the concurrent organization of meetings in accordance with the process outlined in decision XII/27 of the Conference of the Parties.