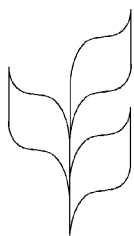




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REQUESTS TO THE SUBSIDIARY BODY ON SCIENTIFIC, TECHNICAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL ADVICE IN THE DRAFT DECISIONS OF THE NINTH MEETING OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

Note by the Executive Secretary

I. INTRODUCTION

1. The agendas of the meetings of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA) usually comprise three groups of items:

Organizational and reporting matters consisting of opening of the meeting, organizational matters and progress report on the implementation of the programmes of work of the Convention;

Substantive issues placed on the agenda in response to decisions of the Conference of the Parties, pursuant to Article 25 of the Convention.; and

Final matters i.e., preparations for the (two) following meeting(s) of SBSTTA, adoption of the report; and closure of the meeting

2. “Organizational and reporting matters” and “Final matters” are standing items on SBSTTA agendas. Substantive issues usually include (i) Items for in-depth review (ii) Strategic issues for evaluating progress or supporting implementation and (iii) Specific requests made by the Conference of the Parties.

3. In accordance with annex III in decision VIII/10, the Conference of the Parties will consider in-depth (i) Inland waters biodiversity, (ii) Marine and coastal biodiversity, (iii) Sustainable use, (iv) Protected areas, (v) Mountain biodiversity and (vi) Climate change. The same annex indicates that the strategic issues for evaluating progress or supporting implementation to be considered by the 10th meeting of the Conference of the Parties will consist of (i) progress in the implementation of the Strategic Plan and follow-up on progress towards the 2010 target and relevant Millennium Development Goals: review of the fourth national reports and the third Global Biodiversity Outlook; revision of the Strategic Plan and framework of goals and targets, and (ii) clearing-house mechanism; technology transfer; capacity-building. The Conference of the Parties has already requested the Subsidiary Body to consider inland

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waters biodiversity and marine and coastal biodiversity prior to the tenth meeting

4. Without prejudging the decision of the Conference of the Parties at its ninth meeting, the present note was prepared to list the requests to SBSTTA identified in the draft decisions of the Conference of the Parties contained in L documents and conference room papers as of 27 May 2008. The list is contained in the annex to this note. The Conference may wish to consider the requests in this list and the items listed in paragraph 3 above to provide guidance to the SBSTTA on the agenda for its meeting prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

Annex

Agenda Item Number and Title	Document Number	SBSTTA Action proposed
Agenda item 3.1 Agricultural biodiversity	UNEP/CBD/COP/9/WG.1/C RP.10	<p>6. <i>Requests</i> the Executive Secretary to collaborate with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and other relevant organizations to identify appropriate methods or means, including provisional goals and targets, and indicators, including existing indicators, to objectively evaluate how the implementation of the programme of work on agricultural biodiversity contributes to the achievement of the three objectives of the Convention and the Strategic Plan of the Convention, consistent with the framework adopted by the Conference of the Parties in decision VII/30 and VIII/15, as a contribution to the achievement of the 2010 target and the Millennium Development Goals, building on ongoing initiatives, and <i>further requests</i> the Executive Secretary, to report on progress at a meeting of the Subsidiary Body prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties; *</p> <p>7. <i>Calls upon</i> Parties, other Governments, the research community and invites other relevant organizations to continue to investigate and monitor the positive and negative impacts of the production and use of biofuels on biodiversity, [in particular forest and agricultural biodiversity] and related socio-economic aspects including those related to indigenous and local communities and <i>requests</i> the Executive Secretary to further compile this evidence and to make it available through the Clearing-house mechanism of the Convention and other appropriate means [and to prepare a report on these impacts for consideration by SBSTTA and the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties]; *</p> <p>A 11. <i>Invites</i> Parties, other Governments and relevant organizations, to submit to the Executive Secretary best practices concerning the issue of on-farm and <i>in situ</i> conservation of agricultural biodiversity, and <i>requests</i> the Executive Secretary, in consultation with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, to collate this information and to disseminate it through the clearing-house mechanism and other relevant means, and to make it available to the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice and the Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations; *</p> <p>B 11. <i>Requests</i> the Executive Secretary to disseminate the experiences submitted by the Parties, under paragraph 11 above, through the clearing-house mechanism, and <i>further requests</i> the Executive Secretary to compile those views for consideration by SBSTTA; *</p> <p>[12. <i>Further Requests</i> the Executive Secretary to compile information on the impacts of bioenergy production and use [, in particular biofuels,] on biodiversity to inform [existing and emerging standards and certification schemes relating to the production and use of biofuels] [possible response measures], and for consideration by [SBSTTA] [the AHTEG] and the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;] *</p> <p>[13. <i>Requests</i> the SBSTTA to consider in the context of the next review of the programme of work on agricultural biodiversity, the compilation of views prepared by the Executive Secretary on further ways and means to strengthen national policies and practices for the sustainable production and use of biofuels with regard to the conservation and sustainable use of</p>

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		<p>biodiversity, and to report back to COP;]</p> <p>[14. <i>Decides</i> to establish an Ad hoc Technical Expert Group with the mandate to further develop and promote, in cooperation with relevant stakeholders, biodiversity guidelines [based on] [as an input to] existing standards and certification schemes and to inform emerging standards and certification schemes of relevant bodies relating to the production and use of sustainable bioenergy and requests the Executive Secretary to make the necessary provisions to hold on meeting of this AHTEG, subject to the availability of financial resources, requesting the AHTEG to submit its report to a meeting of SBSTTA prior to COP-10 and for consideration by COP-10.] *</p> <p>21. <i>Invites</i> the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations in collaboration with Parties, other Governments and relevant organizations, to continue the implementation of the International Initiative for the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Pollinators and, in particular:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) To complete information on pollinator species, populations and their taxonomy, ecology and interactions; (b) To establish the framework for monitoring declines and identifying their causes; (c) To assess the agricultural production, ecological, and socio-economic consequences of pollinator declines; (d) To compile information on good practices and lessons learned; (e) To develop response options to promote, and prevent the further loss of, pollination services that sustain human livelihoods; and (f) To disseminate openly the results through the clearing-house mechanism and other relevant means; <p>and to make available a progress report for consideration by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties; *</p> <p>24. <i>Also invites</i> the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, and other relevant organizations and initiatives to carry out further work and compile and disseminate information to improve the understanding of soil biodiversity, its interaction with above-ground biodiversity, and other soil functions, the various ecosystem goods and services that it provides, and the agricultural practices that affect it, and to facilitate the integration of soil biodiversity issues into agricultural policies and to make available a report for consideration by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific Technical and Technological Advice before the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;</p> <p>30. Welcomes the organization by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations of a high-level meeting to be held in June 2008 on “World Food Security and the Challenges of Climate Change and Bioenergy” and <i>invites</i> the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations to provide the report of the meeting to SBSTTA;</p> <p>36. In response to the request from the FAO Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture at its eleventh meeting, <i>requests</i> the Executive Secretary to work with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and the Secretariat of the Commission to prepare a joint work plan on biodiversity for food and agriculture that would assist Parties in, <i>inter alia</i>, streamlining reporting requirements, and facilitating the dialogue at international, regional and national level between bodies dealing with environment and agriculture, while respecting each other’s mandates and intergovernmental authority, and present a report to SBSTTA before the</p>
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		tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties; *
Agenda Item 3.2 Global Strategy for Plant Conservation	UNEP/CBD/CO P9/WG.1/CRP.2	<p>4. <i>Requests</i> SBSTTA to provide, prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties, proposals for an update of the Global Strategy, taking into account the Plant Conservation Report, the third edition of the Global Biodiversity Outlook, the fourth National Report and additional inputs from the Global Partnership for Plant Conservation and other relevant organisations;</p> <p>5. <i>Further requests</i> SBSTTA to consider the review of the implementation of targets 3, 6, 9, 11, 12 and 13 that are related to sustainable use of plant diversity, when it undertakes the in depth review of the work on sustainable use prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;</p> <p>6. <i>Requests</i> the Executive Secretary, in collaboration with the Global Partnership for Plant Conservation and other relevant organizations:</p> <p>(e) To compile an updated assessment and capacity gap analysis on the implementation of the Strategy based on the information provided by Parties, other Governments and other relevant organisations for consideration by SBSTTA prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties.</p>
Agenda item 3.3 In-depth Review of Ongoing Work on Alien Species that Threaten Ecosystems, Habitats or Species	UNEP/CBD/CO P/9/WG.1/CRP.1 1	<p>9. <i>Requests</i> the Executive Secretary, in collaboration with the Global Invasive Species Programme (GISP), the IUCN Invasive Species Specialist Group (IUCN-ISSG), the International Civil Aviation Organization, the Pet Industry Joint Advisory Council and other relevant organizations to continue collating, with the information provided on the basis of paragraph 12, as well as the information gathered at the expert workshop on best practices for pre-import screening of live animals, held in Indiana, United States of America from 9 to 11 April 2008 and organized by the Global Invasive Species Programme, the Invasive Species Specialist Group and the University of Notre Dame, in collaboration with the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity, best practices for addressing the risks associated with the introduction of alien species as pets, aquarium and terrarium species, and as live bait and live food, and to make this information available through the clearing-house mechanism as well as to the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice for its consideration at a meeting prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties; *</p> <p>10. <i>Requests</i> the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice to consider the collation of best practices prepared by the Executive Secretary referred to in paragraphs 12 and 13 above, and, if necessary and appropriate, to establish an ad hoc technical expert group to suggest means, including practical guidance, for addressing the risks associated with the introduction of alien species as pets, aquarium and terrarium species, and as live bait and live food;</p> <p>13. <i>Requests</i> the Executive Secretary to report on implementation of this decision, and decision VIII/27, and, if necessary, present options for further work to address these gaps to the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice at a meeting immediately prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties. *</p>
Agenda item 3.4 Forest biodiversity	UNEP/CBD/CO P/9/WG.1/CRP.5	<p>3. <i>Requests</i> the Executive Secretary to: *</p> <p>(a) Facilitate, as requested, in close cooperation with existing international, regional and subregional processes, initiatives and organizations, such as the Secretariat of the United Nations Forum on Forests, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the</p>

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		<p>International Tropical Timber Organization, and other members of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests, regional, subregional and/or thematic workshops to support Parties in implementing the programme of work on forest biodiversity;</p> <p>(b) [Liaise with the relevant institutions and forums to assess the impacts of biofuel production on forest biodiversity and forest-dependent indigenous and local communities and prepare a report on these impacts for consideration by SBSTTA and the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;] <i>(Note - this paragraph will be addressed in connection with the discussions on agriculture and biofuels)</i></p> <p>(c) [Compile information on the impacts of bioenergy production and consumption [, in particular biofuels,] on forest biodiversity to inform [existing and emerging standards and certification schemes relating to the production and consumption of sustainable bioenergy] [possible response measures], and for consideration by SBSTTA and the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;] <i>(Note - this paragraph will be addressed in connection with the discussions on agriculture and biofuels)</i></p> <p>(f) Explore, together with the Director of the Secretariat of the United Nations Forum on Forests, possibilities for developing a work plan with targeted joint activities between the secretariats of the Convention on Biological Diversity and the United Nations Forum on Forests by identifying commonalities and complementarities of the respective work programmes and submit the results for the consideration of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice;</p> <p>(i) Continue the cooperation with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and other relevant organizations on the monitoring of forest biodiversity, and on clarifying the definitions of forest and forest types that reflect forest biodiversity at the level appropriate for reporting and monitoring the status of forest biodiversity, building on the existing concepts and definitions provided by Parties and members of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests and other relevant organizations and regional criteria and indicator processes and report to the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;</p>
<p>Agenda item 3.7</p> <p>Progress in the Implementation of the Strategic Plan and Progress towards the 2010 Target and Relevant Millennium Development Goals</p> <p>Process for the revision of the Strategic Plan</p>	<p>UNEP/CBD/CO P/9/WG.2/CRP.7</p>	<p>1. <i>Requests</i> the Working Group on the Review of Implementation, at its third meeting, to prepare, for consideration and adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its tenth meeting, a revised and updated Strategic Plan including a revised biodiversity target, as well as a multi-year programme of work for the period 2011–2020, and proposals for the periodicity of meetings after 2010, drawing upon:</p> <p>(d) An examination of the scientific and technical aspects of the outcome-oriented goals and targets, and associated indicators by the Subsidiary on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice;</p> <p>5. <i>Requests</i> the Subsidiary on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice at its fifteenth meeting to examine, the outcome-oriented goals and targets, and associated indicators contained in the annex to decision VIII/15, with a view to recommending adjustments, if and where necessary, taking into account the third edition of the Global Biodiversity Outlook, the analysis/synthesis prepared by the Secretariat and further work by the Biodiversity Indicators Partnership and the scientific community;</p> <p>Annexed item: SBSTTA-14 considers draft GBO-3</p>
<p>Agenda item 4.1</p> <p>The Global</p>	<p>UNEP/CBD/COP9/WG.1/CR P.3</p>	<p>(c) <i>Endorses</i> the outcome-oriented deliverables contained in annex I to this note as relevant outputs of the Programme of Work on the Global Taxonomy Initiative, and <i>urges</i> Parties, and <i>invites</i> other Governments and</p>

Taxonomy Initiative		<p>relevant organisations to carry out the activities planned in the programme of work so as to produce the expected outputs by the targeted time taking into consideration national priorities and the provision of information in local languages including locally used names of species as appropriate and <i>requests</i> the Executive Secretary to report on progress in these matters to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties and to a meeting of the Subsidiary Body of Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;</p> <p>Planned Activity 2: Regional taxonomic needs assessments and identification of priorities.</p> <p><i>Output 1.2.1.</i> Complete at least one pilot regional assessment within a UN subregion, integrated with implementation of a thematic area or cross-cutting issue of the CBD, by the end of 2009. Results and lessons learned can be placed before the fourteenth meeting of the SBSTTA and disseminated by the Clearing-House Mechanism. Suggested actors may include BioNET-INTERNATIONAL, CBOL.</p> <p><i>Output 5.14.2.</i> Convene an international workshop of Competent National Authorities and National Focal Points for GTI and Access and Benefit Sharing to discuss the obstacles to international transfer of biomaterials for non-commercial research in line with national law and applicable international obligations relating to prior informed consent by the time not later than the SBSTTA prior to COP10. Suggested actors may include national governments, SCBD, EDIT, CETAF, NSCA, taxonomic institutions, CBOL, BioNET-INTERNATIONAL.</p>
Agenda item 4.4 Monitoring, assessment and indicators	UNEP/CBD/COP/9/WG.2/C RP.15	<p>8. <i>Noting</i> the need for improved scientific information, as related to the interests of the Convention on Biological Diversity and other biodiversity-related conventions with a view to strengthening the role of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice and the scientific advisory bodies of other biodiversity-related conventions, <i>welcomes</i> the agreement of the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme to convene an intergovernmental multi-stakeholder meeting to consider establishing an efficient international science-policy interface on biodiversity, ecosystem services and human well-being and <i>invites</i> the United Nations Environment Programme to ensure that invited experts are regionally and disciplinarily diverse and include experts recommended by Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity; *</p>
Agenda item 4.5 Biodiversity and climate change	UNEP/CBD/COP/9/WG.1/CRP.13	<p>4. The work of the AHTEG should be initiated as soon as possible in order to provide a completed report for consideration by the SBSTTA prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties; and provide information on these deliberations to the relevant processes related to the Bali Action Plan and the Nairobi Work Programme.</p> <p>5. <i>Requests</i> the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice to explore ways to engage with the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change in planning and preparing its next assessment reports and <i>invites</i> the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change to participate in the Convention on Biological Diversity and Ramsar processes of preparing future technical studies on climate change and biodiversity, particularly on wetlands;</p> <p>18. <i>Requests</i> the Executive Secretary to consult with the secretariat of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, through the Joint Liaison Group, to identify ways and means to enhance the contribution of climate-change activities to facilitating and/or supporting the implementation of activities listed in annex I of this decision and to report on the outcome to [the fourteenth meeting of SBSTTA] [the first meeting of the</p>

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		<p>Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group on Biodiversity and Climate Change];</p> <p>20. <i>Requests</i> the Executive Secretary to compile case-studies, good-practice examples and lessons learned on activities, tools and methods to promote synergies between activities addressing biodiversity, desertification/land degradation and climate change at the national and local levels, and report on this and, through the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice, on progress in the implementation of mutually supportive activities, during the in-depth review of the ongoing work under the cross-cutting issue of biodiversity and climate change at the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties; *</p> <p>32. <i>Welcomes</i> the decision of the twenty-ninth Consultative Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Convention on the Prevention of Marine Pollution by Dumping of Wastes and Other Matter, 1972 (“the London Convention”) and the second meeting of Contracting Parties to the 1996 Protocol, held from 5 to 9 November 2007, which: (i) endorsed the June 2007 “Statement of Concern regarding iron fertilization of the oceans to sequester CO₂” of their Scientific Groups, (ii) urged States to use the utmost caution when considering proposals for large-scale ocean fertilization operations and (iii) took the view that, given the present state of knowledge regarding ocean fertilization, such large-scale operations were currently not justified, and <i>recognizing</i> the London Convention on the Prevention of Marine Pollution by Dumping of Wastes and Other Matter and the 1996 London Protocol as the lead bodies on ocean fertilization:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">[(e) <i>Requests</i> the Executive Secretary to disseminate the results of the ongoing scientific and legal analysis under the London Convention and London Protocol, and any other relevant scientific and technical information, to the fourteenth meeting of SBSTTA for consideration at the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;]</p> <p>32. OPTION 2 (d) <i>Requests</i> the Executive Secretary to disseminate the results of the ongoing scientific and legal analysis under the London Convention and London Protocol, and any other relevant and scientific and technical information, to the fourteenth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice for consideration at the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;</p> <p>33. <i>Reiterating</i> that reduced deforestation and forest degradation and increased afforestation and reforestation provides opportunities for multiple benefits for biodiversity and reducing greenhouse gas emissions,</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(b) <i>Invites</i> the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change to take full account of opportunities for its work to provide benefits for biodiversity, including through collaboration among [the subsidiary bodies of] the three Rio conventions and the application of the ecosystem approach and sustainable forest management, and</p> <p>[36. <i>Requests</i> the Executive Secretary to prepare a compilation of the views submitted pursuant to paragraph 35 for consideration by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice, prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;]</p> <p>Annex II, para 3. Continue the provision by the secretariats, of inputs and views on forest issues and adaptation as requested by the subsidiary bodies of the conventions.</p> <p>Annex III para 2. The AHTEG shall be guided by relevant outcomes from the Conference of the Parties and the Subsidiary Bodies of the UNFCCC, and on other bodies as appropriate and shall draw on Technical Series No. 10 and No. 25, the outcomes from the workshops convened by the Secretariat of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change under the Nairobi work programme as well as the documents compiled under this programme, and other relevant documents including the reports of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change and the Millennium Ecosystem Assessment,</p>
Agenda item	UNEP/CBD/CO	8. <i>Also requests</i> the Executive Secretary to explore, with the Food and

4.6 Biodiversity of dry and sub-humid lands	P/9/WG.1/CRP.6	<p>Agriculture Organization of the United Nations the means to strengthen the collaboration in pastoralism and agricultural use of dry and sub-humid lands in line with paragraph 11 (c) of decision VIII/2, and to produce a report on the actions that have already been undertaken and actions that needs to be carried out, taking into account the specific needs of dry and sub-humid lands and the people living in these lands, for further consideration by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA) at one of its meetings prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;</p> <p>9. Further <i>requests</i> the Executive Secretary to develop proposals for the integration of climate change considerations within the programme of work on the biodiversity of dry and sub-humid lands, for consideration by the SBSTTA prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties, building on the elements of the guidance contained in decision IX/... (climate change and biodiversity) already addressed in the existing programme of work, an assessment of the state of implementation, as well as the identification of gaps in implementation including a review of barriers and suggestions to overcome them and considering the importance of avoided deforestation and forest degradation in dry and sub-humid lands and the need to enhance the understanding of the role of dryland forests in reducing emissions from deforestation and forest degradation;</p> <p>15. <i>Recognizing</i> the high rate of poverty within dry and sub-humid land and considering that activities to enhance livelihoods in dry and sub-humid lands therefore combine several Millennium Development Goals, especially number 1 “eradication of extreme poverty and hunger” and 7 “ensuring environmental sustainability”, <i>requests</i> the Executive Secretary to further develop the activities contained in annex II, particularly activities related to economic valuation and payments for ecosystem services, bearing in mind that the annex presents an indicative list only, for consideration by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties, stressing that combating biodiversity loss in those areas requires holistic approach taking into account <i>inter alia</i> the livelihoods of local people and adaptation to climate change; *</p> <p>16. <i>Requests</i> the Executive Secretary, in collaboration with related organizations, such as the International Strategy for Disaster Reduction, to assess the impacts of drought on biodiversity and prepare proposal on management options for biodiversity and drought for consideration by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;</p> <p>17. <i>Further requests</i> the Executive Secretary to prepare a terms of reference for an Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group on the biodiversity of dry and sub-humid lands for consideration by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties. *</p>
Agenda item 4.7 Protected Areas	UNEP/CBD/CO P/9/WG.1/CRP.1 2	<p>25. <i>Decides</i> on the following process for continued monitoring of the implementation of the programme of work on protected areas and preparing for its in-depth review at the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;</p> <p>(a) [Requests the Executive Secretary to prepare an in depth review of the programme of work on protected areas using <i>inter alia</i> the information contained in the fourth national reports, relevant global and regional data bases and the results of the regional and sub regional workshops as mentioned in paragraph 15 and propose ways and means for strengthening the implementation of the programme of work; for consideration by [AHTEG/SBSTTA/WGRI] COP10];</p>
Agenda item 4.8 Biological	UNEP/CBD/CO P/9/WG.1/CRP.7	<p>6. <i>Invites</i> the Secretariat of the Ramsar Convention, in collaboration with the Executive Secretary of the Convention on Biological Diversity, to report on progress on, and the implications of, harmonized reporting to a</p>

Diversity of Inland Water Ecosystems		meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;
Agenda item 4.9 Marine and Coastal Biodiversity	UNEP/CBD/CO P/9/WG.1/CRP.9	<p>2. <i>Taking into account</i> the role of Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, <i>requests</i> the Executive Secretary in collaboration with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, Parties, other Governments, and relevant international and regional organizations, to compile and synthesize available scientific information on the impacts of destructive fishing practices and illegal, unreported, and unregulated (IUU) fishing on marine biodiversity and habitats, and make such information available for consideration, as appropriate, of the future meetings of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;*</p> <p>3. <i>Taking into account</i> the role of the International Maritime Organization, <i>requests</i> the Executive Secretary to seek the views of Parties and other Governments, and, in consultation with the International Maritime Organization, other international and regional organizations, and indigenous and local communities, to compile and synthesize available scientific information on potential impacts of direct human-induced ocean fertilization on marine biodiversity and make such information available for consideration at a future meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;*</p> <p>4. <i>Requests</i> the Executive Secretary, in collaboration with Parties, other Governments, and international and regional organizations, to compile and synthesize available scientific information on ocean acidification and its impacts on marine biodiversity, which is identified as a potentially serious threat to cold-water corals and other marine biodiversity, and make such information available for consideration at a future meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties; *</p> <p>5 <i>bis</i> Welcomes the report on Global Open Oceans and Deep Seabed (GOODs) Biogeographic Classification, as contained in document UNEP/CBD/COP/INF/44, and <i>requests</i> the Executive Secretary to make this report available for consideration at a future meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;</p> <p>14. <i>Recognizes</i> the need to scientifically review these criteria in annex I and scientific guidance in annex II, when new scientific information as well as experiences and results from the practical application are made available, and <i>decides</i> to consider the need to establish a mechanism for such a review at a future meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice after the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;</p>
Agenda item 4.10 Island biodiversity	UNEP/CBD/CO P/9/WG.1/CRP.1	10. <i>Requests</i> the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice to undertake a preliminary review of the programme of work at one of its meetings prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties and <i>decides</i> to undertake an in-depth review of the programme of work on island biodiversity at its 11 th meeting.
Agenda item 4.13 COOPERATION WITH OTHER CONVENTIONS	UNEP/CBD/CO P/9/WG.2/CRP.14	2. <i>Welcomes</i> the joint meetings of the scientific bodies of the biodiversity-related Conventions and invites them to continue this practice with a view to developing maximum synergies in the scientific and technical work among the Conventions, and recalling the CBD decision VIII/16 (§7), and noting UNFCCC decision 13/CP.8 (§2) and UNCCD decision 7/COP.5 (§5) on enhanced cooperation among the subsidiary bodies, further invites

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<p>ONS AND INTERNATI ONAL ORGANIZA TIONS AND INITIATIVE S AND ENGAGEM ENT OF STAKEHOL DERS</p> <p><i>Cooperation among multilateral environmental agreements and other organizations</i></p>		<p>the relevant subsidiary scientific and technical bodies of the three Rio conventions to enhance mutual collaboration to this end;</p>
<p>Agenda item 4.14 OPERATIO NS OF THE CONVENTI ON</p>	<p>UNEP/CBD/CO P/9/WG.2/CRP.1 1</p>	<p>2. Welcomes as a useful input into the further consideration of the periodicity of its meetings and its subsidiary bodies the report by the Executive Secretary (UNEP/CBD/COP/9/22/Add.1), on options for the meeting schedule and organisation of work of the Conference of the Parties after 2010;</p> <p><i>B. Also recalling</i> that in accordance with decision VIII/10, annex III, paragraph 1, the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice will fulfil its mandate under the authority of, and in accordance with, guidance laid down by the Conference of the Parties, and upon its request,</p> <p><i>Reaffirming</i> the provisions of paragraph 16 of decision VIII/10 that the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice, whenever it convenes ad hoc technical expert groups under the guidance of the Conference of the Parties, provide oversight to ensure that terms of reference clearly indicate their mandate, duration of operation, expected outcomes and reporting requirements, and that their mandates are limited to the provision of scientific and technical advice and assessments;</p> <p>9. <i>Further requests</i> the Executive Secretary to prepare a document compiling the original submissions and the information and views received for consideration by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice; *</p> <p>10. <i>Decides</i> that proposals for emerging issues should, where possible, be accompanied with information on:</p> <p>(a) Why the issue needs urgent attention by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (including how it impacts biodiversity);</p> <p>12. <i>Requests</i> that: *</p> <p><i>Option 1:</i> [The Executive Secretary [in consultation with the Bureau of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice] identifies the emerging issue to be considered by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice with prior consultation of the Parties;]</p> <p><i>Option 2:</i> [The Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice reviews and discusses the proposals and, as appropriate, identifies the emerging issue[s] to be considered by the Conference of the Parties;]</p> <p>II A para 5.<i>Requests</i> the Executive Secretary to facilitate increased information exchange between the SBSTTA and COP Bureaux by <i>inter alia</i> inviting the Chair of the Subsidiary Body to attend relevant meetings of the</p>

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Agenda item 3.1 Agricultural biodiversity	UNEP/CBD/ COP/9/WG.1/C RP.10	<p>6. <i>Requests</i> the Executive Secretary to collaborate with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and other relevant organizations to identify appropriate methods or means, including provisional goals and targets, and indicators, including existing indicators, to objectively evaluate how the implementation of the programme of work on agricultural biodiversity contributes to the achievement of the three objectives of the Convention and the Strategic Plan of the Convention, consistent with the framework adopted by the Conference of the Parties in decision VII/30 and VIII/15, as a contribution to the achievement of the 2010 target and the Millennium Development Goals, building on ongoing initiatives, and <i>further requests</i> the Executive Secretary, to report on progress at a meeting of the Subsidiary Body prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties; *</p> <p>7. <i>Calls upon</i> Parties, other Governments, the research community and invites other relevant organizations to continue to investigate and monitor the positive and negative impacts of the production and use of biofuels on biodiversity, [in particular forest and agricultural biodiversity] and related socio-economic aspects including those related to indigenous and local communities and <i>requests</i> the Executive Secretary to further compile this evidence and to make it available through the Clearing-house mechanism of the Convention and other appropriate means [and to prepare a report on these impacts for consideration by SBSTTA and the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties]; *</p> <p>A 11. <i>Invites</i> Parties, other Governments and relevant organizations, to submit to the Executive Secretary best practices concerning the issue of on-farm and <i>in situ</i> conservation of agricultural biodiversity, and <i>requests</i> the Executive Secretary, in consultation with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, to collate this information and to disseminate it through the clearing-house mechanism and other relevant means, and to make it available to the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice and the Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations; *</p> <p>B 11. <i>Requests</i> the Executive Secretary to disseminate the experiences submitted by the Parties, under paragraph 11 above, through the clearing-house mechanism, and <i>further requests</i> the Executive Secretary to compile those views for consideration by SBSTTA; *</p> <p>[12. <i>Further Requests</i> the Executive Secretary to compile information on the impacts of bioenergy production and use [, in particular biofuels,] on biodiversity to inform [existing and emerging standards and certification schemes relating to the</p>

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		<p>production and use of biofuels] [possible response measures], and for consideration by [SBSTTA] [the AHTEG] and the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;] *</p> <p>[13. <i>Requests</i> the SBSTTA to consider in the context of the next review of the programme of work on agricultural biodiversity, the compilation of views prepared by the Executive Secretary on further ways and means to strengthen national policies and practices for the sustainable production and use of biofuels with regard to the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity, and to report back to COP;]</p> <p>[14. <i>Decides</i> to establish an Ad hoc Technical Expert Group with the mandate to further develop and promote, in cooperation with relevant stakeholders, biodiversity guidelines [based on] [as an input to] existing standards and certification schemes and to inform emerging standards and certification schemes of relevant bodies relating to the production and use of sustainable bioenergy and requests the Executive Secretary to make the necessary provisions to hold on meeting of this AHTEG, subject to the availability of financial resources, requesting the AHTEG to submit its report to a meeting of SBSTTA prior to COP-10 and for consideration by COP-10.] *</p> <p>21. <i>Invites</i> the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations in collaboration with Parties, other Governments and relevant organizations, to continue the implementation of the International Initiative for the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Pollinators and, in particular:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) To complete information on pollinator species, populations and their taxonomy, ecology and interactions; (b) To establish the framework for monitoring declines and identifying their causes; (c) To assess the agricultural production, ecological, and socio-economic consequences of pollinator declines; (d) To compile information on good practices and lessons learned; (e) To develop response options to promote, and prevent the further loss of, pollination services that sustain human livelihoods; and (f) To disseminate openly the results through the clearing-house mechanism and other relevant means; and to make available a progress report for consideration by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties; * <p>24. <i>Also invites</i> the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, and other relevant organizations and initiatives to carry out further work and compile and disseminate information to improve the understanding of soil biodiversity, its interaction with above-ground biodiversity, and other soil functions, the various</p>
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		<p>ecosystem goods and services that it provides, and the agricultural practices that affect it, and to facilitate the integration of soil biodiversity issues into agricultural policies and to make available a report for consideration by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific Technical and Technological Advice before the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;</p> <p>30. Welcomes the organization by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations of a high-level meeting to be held in June 2008 on “World Food Security and the Challenges of Climate Change and Bioenergy” and <i>invites</i> the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations to provide the report of the meeting to SBSTTA;</p> <p>36. In response to the request from the FAO Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture at its eleventh meeting, <i>requests</i> the Executive Secretary to work with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and the Secretariat of the Commission to prepare a joint work plan on biodiversity for food and agriculture that would assist Parties in, <i>inter alia</i>, streamlining reporting requirements, and facilitating the dialogue at international, regional and national level between bodies dealing with environment and agriculture, while respecting each other’s mandates and intergovernmental authority, and present a report to SBSTTA before the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties; *</p>
Agenda Item 3.2 Global Strategy for Plant Conservation	UNEP/CBD/C OP9/WG.1/CR P.2	<p>4. <i>Requests</i> SBSTTA to provide, prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties, proposals for an update of the Global Strategy, taking into account the Plant Conservation Report, the third edition of the Global Biodiversity Outlook, the fourth National Report and additional inputs from the Global Partnership for Plant Conservation and other relevant organisations;</p> <p>5. <i>Further requests</i> SBSTTA to consider the review of the implementation of targets 3, 6, 9, 11, 12 and 13 that are related to sustainable use of plant diversity, when it undertakes the in depth review of the work on sustainable use prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;</p> <p>6. <i>Requests</i> the Executive Secretary, in collaboration with the Global Partnership for Plant Conservation and other relevant organizations:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(e) To compile an updated assessment and capacity gap analysis on the implementation of the Strategy based on the information provided by Parties, other Governments and other relevant organisations for consideration by SBSTTA prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties.</p>
Agenda item 3.3 In-depth Review of Ongoing Work on Alien Species	UNEP/CBD/C OP/9/WG.1/CR P.11	<p>9. <i>Requests</i> the Executive Secretary, in collaboration with the Global Invasive Species Programme (GISP), the IUCN Invasive Species Specialist Group (IUCN-ISSG), the International Civil Aviation Organization, the Pet Industry Joint</p>

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that Threaten Ecosystems, Habitats or Species		<p>Advisory Council and other relevant organizations to continue collating, with the information provided on the basis of paragraph 12, as well as the information gathered at the expert workshop on best practices for pre-import screening of live animals, held in Indiana, United States of America from 9 to 11 April 2008 and organized by the Global Invasive Species Programme, the Invasive Species Specialist Group and the University of Notre Dame, in collaboration with the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity, best practices for addressing the risks associated with the introduction of alien species as pets, aquarium and terrarium species, and as live bait and live food, and to make this information available through the clearing-house mechanism as well as to the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice for its consideration at a meeting prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties; *</p> <p>10. <i>Requests</i> the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice to consider the collation of best practices prepared by the Executive Secretary referred to in paragraphs 12 and 13 above, and, if necessary and appropriate, to establish an ad hoc technical expert group to suggest means, including practical guidance, for addressing the risks associated with the introduction of alien species as pets, aquarium and terrarium species, and as live bait and live food;</p> <p>13. <i>Requests</i> the Executive Secretary to report on implementation of this decision, and decision VIII/27, and, if necessary, present options for further work to address these gaps to the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice at a meeting immediately prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties. *</p>
Agenda item 3.4 Forest biodiversity	UNEP/CBD/COP/9/WG.1/CR P.5	<p>3. <i>Requests</i> the Executive Secretary to:*</p> <p>(a) Facilitate, as requested, in close cooperation with existing international, regional and subregional processes, initiatives and organizations, such as the Secretariat of the United Nations Forum on Forests, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the International Tropical Timber Organization, and other members of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests, regional, subregional and/or thematic workshops to support Parties in implementing the programme of work on forest biodiversity;</p> <p>(b) [Liaise with the relevant institutions and forums to assess the impacts of biofuel production on forest biodiversity and forest-dependent indigenous and local communities and prepare a report on these impacts for consideration by SBSTTA and the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;] (Note -</p>

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		<p><i>this paragraph will be addressed in connection with the discussions on agriculture and biofuels)</i></p> <p>(c) [Compile information on the impacts of bioenergy production and consumption [, in particular biofuels,] on forest biodiversity to inform [existing and emerging standards and certification schemes relating to the production and consumption of sustainable bioenergy] [possible response measures], and for consideration by SBSTTA and the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;] <i>(Note - this paragraph will be addressed in connection with the discussions on agriculture and biofuels)</i></p> <p>(f) Explore, together with the Director of the Secretariat of the United Nations Forum on Forests, possibilities for developing a work plan with targeted joint activities between the secretariats of the Convention on Biological Diversity and the United Nations Forum on Forests by identifying commonalities and complementarities of the respective work programmes and submit the results for the consideration of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice;</p> <p>(i) Continue the cooperation with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and other relevant organizations on the monitoring of forest biodiversity, and on clarifying the definitions of forest and forest types that reflect forest biodiversity at the level appropriate for reporting and monitoring the status of forest biodiversity, building on the existing concepts and definitions provided by Parties and members of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests and other relevant organizations and regional criteria and indicator processes and report to the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;</p>
Agenda item 3.7 Progress in the Implementation of the Strategic Plan and Progress towards the 2010 Target and Relevant Millennium Development Goals Process for the revision of the Strategic Plan	UNEP/CBD/C OP/9/WG.2/CR P.7	<p>1. <i>Requests</i> the Working Group on the Review of Implementation, at its third meeting, to prepare, for consideration and adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its tenth meeting, a revised and updated Strategic Plan including a revised biodiversity target, as well as a multi-year programme of work for the period 2011–2020, and proposals for the periodicity of meetings after 2010, drawing upon:</p> <p>(d) An examination of the scientific and technical aspects of the outcome-oriented goals and targets, and associated indicators by the Subsidiary on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice;</p> <p>5. <i>Requests</i> the Subsidiary on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice at its fifteenth meeting to examine, the outcome-oriented goals and targets, and associated indicators contained in the annex to decision VIII/15, with a view to recommending adjustments, if and where necessary, taking into account the third edition of the Global Biodiversity Outlook, the analysis/synthesis prepared by the Secretariat and further work by the Biodiversity Indicators Partnership and the scientific</p>

		community; Annexed item: SBSTTA-14 considers draft GBO-3
Agenda item 4.1 The Global Taxonomy Initiative	UNEP/CBD/ COP9/WG.1/C RP.3	<p>(c) <i>Endorses</i> the outcome-oriented deliverables contained in annex I to this note as relevant outputs of the Programme of Work on the Global Taxonomy Initiative, and <i>urges</i> Parties, and <i>invites</i> other Governments and relevant organisations to carry out the activities planned in the programme of work so as to produce the expected outputs by the targeted time taking into consideration national priorities and the provision of information in local languages including locally used names of species as appropriate and <i>requests</i> the Executive Secretary to report on progress in these matters to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties and to a meeting of the Subsidiary Body of Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;</p> <p>Planned Activity 2: Regional taxonomic needs assessments and identification of priorities.</p> <p><i>Output 1.2.1.</i> Complete at least one pilot regional assessment within a UN subregion, integrated with implementation of a thematic area or cross-cutting issue of the CBD, by the end of 2009. Results and lessons learned can be placed before the fourteenth meeting of the SBSTTA and disseminated by the Clearing-House Mechanism. Suggested actors may include BioNET-INTERNATIONAL, CBOL.</p> <p><i>Output 5.14.2.</i> Convene an international workshop of Competent National Authorities and National Focal Points for GTI and Access and Benefit Sharing to discuss the obstacles to international transfer of biomaterials for non-commercial research in line with national law and applicable international obligations relating to prior informed consent by the time not later than the SBSTTA prior to COP10. Suggested actors may include national governments, SCBD, EDIT, CETAF, NSCA, taxonomic institutions, CBOL, BioNET-INTERNATIONAL.</p>
Agenda item 4.4 Monitoring, assessment and indicators	UNEP/CBD/ COP/9/WG.2/C RP.15	<p>8. <i>Noting</i> the need for improved scientific information, as related to the interests of the Convention on Biological Diversity and other biodiversity-related conventions with a view to strengthening the role of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice and the scientific advisory bodies of other biodiversity-related conventions, <i>welcomes</i> the agreement of the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme to convene an intergovernmental multi-stakeholder meeting to consider establishing an efficient international science-policy interface on biodiversity, ecosystem services and human well-being and <i>invites</i> the United Nations Environment Programme to ensure that invited experts are regionally and disciplinarily diverse and include experts recommended by Parties to the Convention on Biological</p>

		Diversity; *
Agenda item 4.5 Biodiversity and climate change	UNEP/CBD/COP/9/WG.1/CR P.13	<p>4. The work of the AHTEG should be initiated as soon as possible in order to provide a completed report for consideration by the SBSTTA prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties; and provide information on these deliberations to the relevant processes related to the Bali Action Plan and the Nairobi Work Programme.</p> <p>5. <i>Requests</i> the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice to explore ways to engage with the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change in planning and preparing its next assessment reports and <i>invites</i> the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change to participate in the Convention on Biological Diversity and Ramsar processes of preparing future technical studies on climate change and biodiversity, particularly on wetlands;</p> <p>18. <i>Requests</i> the Executive Secretary to consult with the secretariat of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, through the Joint Liaison Group, to identify ways and means to enhance the contribution of climate-change activities to facilitating and/or supporting the implementation of activities listed in annex I of this decision and to report on the outcome to [the fourteenth meeting of SBSTTA] [the first meeting of the Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group on Biodiversity and Climate Change];</p> <p>20. <i>Requests</i> the Executive Secretary to compile case-studies, good-practice examples and lessons learned on activities, tools and methods to promote synergies between activities addressing biodiversity, desertification/land degradation and climate change at the national and local levels, and report on this and, through the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice, on progress in the implementation of mutually supportive activities, during the in-depth review of the ongoing work under the cross-cutting issue of biodiversity and climate change at the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties; *</p> <p>32. <i>Welcomes</i> the decision of the twenty-ninth Consultative Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Convention on the Prevention of Marine Pollution by Dumping of Wastes and Other Matter, 1972 (“the London Convention”) and the second meeting of Contracting Parties to the 1996 Protocol, held from 5 to 9 November 2007, which: (i) endorsed the June 2007 “Statement of Concern regarding iron fertilization of the oceans to sequester CO₂” of their Scientific Groups, (ii) urged States to use the utmost caution when considering proposals for large-scale ocean fertilization operations and (iii) took the view that, given the present state of knowledge regarding ocean fertilization, such large-scale operations were currently not justified, and <i>recognizing</i> the London Convention on the Prevention of Marine Pollution by Dumping of Wastes and Other Matter and the 1996</p>

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		<p>London Protocol as the lead bodies on ocean fertilization:</p> <p>[(e) <i>Requests</i> the Executive Secretary to disseminate the results of the ongoing scientific and legal analysis under the London Convention and London Protocol, and any other relevant scientific and technical information, to the fourteenth meeting of SBSTTA for consideration at the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;]</p> <p>32. OPTION 2 (d) <i>Requests</i> the Executive Secretary to disseminate the results of the ongoing scientific and legal analysis under the London Convention and London Protocol, and any other relevant and scientific and technical information, to the fourteenth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice for consideration at the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;</p> <p>33. <i>Reiterating</i> that reduced deforestation and forest degradation and increased afforestation and reforestation provides opportunities for multiple benefits for biodiversity and reducing greenhouse gas emissions,</p> <p>(b) <i>Invites</i> the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change to take full account of opportunities for its work to provide benefits for biodiversity, including through collaboration among [the subsidiary bodies of] the three Rio conventions and the application of the ecosystem approach and sustainable forest management, and</p> <p>[36. <i>Requests</i> the Executive Secretary to prepare a compilation of the views submitted pursuant to paragraph 35 for consideration by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice, prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;]</p> <p>Annex II, para 3. Continue the provision by the secretariats, of inputs and views on forest issues and adaptation as requested by the subsidiary bodies of the conventions.</p> <p>Annex III para 2. The AHTEG shall be guided by relevant outcomes from the Conference of the Parties and the Subsidiary Bodies of the UNFCCC, and on other bodies as appropriate and shall draw on Technical Series No. 10 and No. 25, the outcomes from the workshops convened by the Secretariat of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change under the Nairobi work programme as well as the documents compiled under this programme, and other relevant documents including the reports of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change and the Millennium Ecosystem Assessment,</p>
Agenda item 4.6 Biodiversity of dry and sub-humid lands	UNEP/CBD/COP/9/WG.1/CR P.6	<p>8. <i>Also requests</i> the Executive Secretary to explore, with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations the means to strengthen the collaboration in pastoralism and agricultural use of dry and sub-humid lands in line with paragraph 11 (c) of decision VIII/2, and to produce a report on the actions that have already been undertaken and actions that needs to be</p>

		<p>carried out, taking into account the specific needs of dry and sub-humid lands and the people living in these lands, for further consideration by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA) at one of its meetings prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;</p> <p>9. Further <i>requests</i> the Executive Secretary to develop proposals for the integration of climate change considerations within the programme of work on the biodiversity of dry and sub-humid lands, for consideration by the SBSTTA prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties, building on the elements of the guidance contained in decision IX/... (climate change and biodiversity) already addressed in the existing programme of work, an assessment of the state of implementation, as well as the identification of gaps in implementation including a review of barriers and suggestions to overcome them and considering the importance of avoided deforestation and forest degradation in dry and sub-humid lands and the need to enhance the understanding of the role of dryland forests in reducing emissions from deforestation and forest degradation;</p> <p>15. <i>Recognizing</i> the high rate of poverty within dry and sub-humid land and considering that activities to enhance livelihoods in dry and sub-humid lands therefore combine several Millennium Development Goals, especially number 1 “eradication of extreme poverty and hunger” and 7 “ensuring environmental sustainability”, <i>requests</i> the Executive Secretary to further develop the activities contained in annex II, particularly activities related to economic valuation and payments for ecosystem services, bearing in mind that the annex presents an indicative list only, for consideration by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties, stressing that combating biodiversity loss in those areas requires holistic approach taking into account <i>inter alia</i> the livelihoods of local people and adaptation to climate change; *</p> <p>16. <i>Requests</i> the Executive Secretary, in collaboration with related organizations, such as the International Strategy for Disaster Reduction, to assess the impacts of drought on biodiversity and prepare proposal on management options for biodiversity and drought for consideration by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;</p> <p>17. <i>Further requests</i> the Executive Secretary to prepare a terms of reference for an Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group on the biodiversity of dry and sub-humid lands for consideration by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties. *</p>
Agenda item 4.7 Protected Areas	UNEP/CBD/COP/9/WG.1/CRP.12	<p>25. <i>Decides</i> on the following process for continued monitoring of the implementation of the programme of work on</p>

		<p>protected areas and preparing for its in-depth review at the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;</p> <p>(a) [Requests the Executive Secretary to prepare an in depth review of the programme of work on protected areas using inter alia the information contained in the fourth national reports, relevant global and regional data bases and the results of the regional and sub regional workshops as mentioned in paragraph 15 and propose ways and means for strengthening the implementation of the programme of work; for consideration by [AHTEG/SBSTTA/WGRI] COP10];</p>
Agenda item 4.8 Biological Diversity of Inland Water Ecosystems	UNEP/CBD/COP/9/WG.1/CR P.7	<p>6. <i>Invites</i> the Secretariat of the Ramsar Convention, in collaboration with the Executive Secretary of the Convention on Biological Diversity, to report on progress on, and the implications of, harmonized reporting to a meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;</p>
Agenda item 4.9 Marine and Coastal Biodiversity	UNEP/CBD/COP/9/WG.1/CR P.9	<p>2. <i>Taking into account</i> the role of Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, <i>requests</i> the Executive Secretary in collaboration with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, Parties, other Governments, and relevant international and regional organizations, to compile and synthesize available scientific information on the impacts of destructive fishing practices and illegal, unreported, and unregulated (IUU) fishing on marine biodiversity and habitats, and make such information available for consideration, as appropriate, of the future meetings of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;*</p> <p>3. <i>Taking into account</i> the role of the International Maritime Organization, <i>requests</i> the Executive Secretary to seek the views of Parties and other Governments, and, in consultation with the International Maritime Organization, other international and regional organizations, and indigenous and local communities, to compile and synthesize available scientific information on potential impacts of direct human-induced ocean fertilization on marine biodiversity and make such information available for consideration at a future meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;*</p> <p>4. <i>Requests</i> the Executive Secretary, in collaboration with Parties, other Governments, and international and regional organizations, to compile and synthesize available scientific information on ocean acidification and its impacts on marine biodiversity, which is identified as a potentially serious threat to cold-water corals and other marine biodiversity, and make such</p>

		<p>information available for consideration at a future meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties; *</p> <p><i>5 bis</i> Welcomes the report on Global Open Oceans and Deep Seabed (GOODs) Biogeographic Classification, as contained in document UNEP/CBD/COP/INF/44, and <i>requests</i> the Executive Secretary to make this report available for consideration at a future meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;</p> <p>14. <i>Recognizes</i> the need to scientifically review these criteria in annex I and scientific guidance in annex II, when new scientific information as well as experiences and results from the practical application are made available, and <i>decides</i> to consider the need to establish a mechanism for such a review at a future meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice after the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties;</p>
Agenda item 4.10 Island biodiversity	UNEP/CBD/C OP/9/WG.1/CR P.1	<p>11. <i>Requests</i> the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice to undertake a preliminary review of the programme of work at one of its meetings prior to the tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties and <i>decides</i> to undertake an in-depth review of the programme of work on island biodiversity at its 11th meeting.</p>
Agenda item 4.13 COOPERATION WITH OTHER CONVENTIONS AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND INITIATIVES AND ENGAGEMENT OF STAKEHOLDERS <i>Cooperation among multilateral environmental agreements and other organizations</i>	UNEP/CBD/C OP/9/WG.2/CR P.14	<p>2. <i>Welcomes</i> the joint meetings of the scientific bodies of the biodiversity-related Conventions and invites them to continue this practice with a view to developing maximum synergies in the scientific and technical work among the Conventions, and recalling the CBD decision VIII/16 (§7), and noting UNFCCC decision 13/CP.8 (§2) and UNCCD decision 7/COP.5 (§5) on enhanced cooperation among the subsidiary bodies, further invites the relevant subsidiary scientific and technical bodies of the three Rio conventions to enhance mutual collaboration to this end;</p>
Agenda item 4.14	UNEP/CBD/C OP/9/WG.2/CR	<p>2. <i>Welcomes</i> as a useful input into the further consideration</p>

OPERATIONS OF THE CONVENTION	P.11	<p>of the periodicity of its meetings and its subsidiary bodies the report by the Executive Secretary (UNEP/CBD/COP/9/22/Add.1), on options for the meeting schedule and organisation of work of the Conference of the Parties after 2010;</p> <p><i>B. Also recalling</i> that in accordance with decision VIII/10, annex III, paragraph 1, the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice will fulfil its mandate under the authority of, and in accordance with, guidance laid down by the Conference of the Parties, and upon its request,</p> <p><i>Reaffirming</i> the provisions of paragraph 16 of decision VIII/10 that the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice, whenever it convenes ad hoc technical expert groups under the guidance of the Conference of the Parties, provide oversight to ensure that terms of reference clearly indicate their mandate, duration of operation, expected outcomes and reporting requirements, and that their mandates are limited to the provision of scientific and technical advice and assessments;</p> <p>9. <i>Further requests</i> the Executive Secretary to prepare a document compiling the original submissions and the information and views received for consideration by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice; *</p> <p>10. <i>Decides</i> that proposals for emerging issues should, where possible, be accompanied with information on:</p> <p>(a) Why the issue needs urgent attention by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (including how it impacts biodiversity);</p> <p>12. <i>Requests</i> that: *</p> <p><i>Option 1:</i> [The Executive Secretary [in consultation with the Bureau of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice] identifies the emerging issue to be considered by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice with prior consultation of the Parties;]</p> <p><i>Option 2:</i> [The Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice reviews and discusses the proposals and, as appropriate, identifies the emerging issue[s] to be considered by the Conference of the Parties;]</p> <p>II A para 5.<i>Requests</i> the Executive Secretary to facilitate increased information exchange between the SBSTTA and COP Bureaux by <i>inter alia</i> inviting the Chair of the Subsidiary Body to attend relevant meetings of the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties; _</p>
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* This paragraph has budgetary implications.