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WORKING GROUP ON ARTICLE 8(J) AND
RELATED PROVISIONS OF THE CONVENTION
ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY

Eleventh meeting
Montreal, Canada, 20-22 November 2019
Agenda item 7

RECOMMENDATION ADOPTED BY THE WORKING GROUP

11/4. Recommendations from the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues to the Convention on Biological Diversity

The Ad Hoc Open-ended Inter-sessional Working Group on Article 8(j) and Related Provisions

Recommends that the Conference of the Parties at its fifteenth meeting adopt a decision along the following lines:

The Conference of the Parties,

Having considered the note by the Executive Secretary,¹

1. *Takes note* of the recommendations emanating from the seventeenth and eighteenth sessions of the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, and *requests* the Executive Secretary to continue to inform the Permanent Forum of developments of mutual interest;
2. *Welcomes* the invitations of the Forum to the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity to contribute to:
 - (a) A study on the contributions of indigenous peoples to the management of ecosystems and the protection of biodiversity;
 - (b) A set of actions and commitments in relation to conservation and human rights in the context of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework;
 - (c) A comparative legal study that analyses the rights of indigenous peoples and the emerging rights of local communities;
3. *Decides* to take the results of these activities under consideration in the development of its new programme of work on Article 8(j) and related provisions from the perspective of the relevance of the knowledge innovations and practices of indigenous peoples and local communities relevant to the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity, particularly in the post-2020 global biodiversity framework;
4. *Requests* the Executive Secretary, subject to the availability of resources, to contribute to the above-mentioned activities, to provide information to the Forum about these and other relevant activities of the Convention, and to carry out commitments to indigenous peoples, in

¹ [CBD/WG8J/11/6](#).

accordance with the Secretary General's system-wide action plan for ensuring a coherent approach to achieving the ends of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.²

² [E/C.19/2016/5](#) and [Corr.1](#).