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24.2.4 Live Capture of Cetaceans from the Wild for Commercial Purposes

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- COP11 adopted Res.11.22
 - Calls upon Parties to develop and/or implement national legislation prohibiting the live capture of cetaceans for commercial purposes
 - Urges Parties to consider taking stricter domestic measures in line with CITES Article XIV with regard to the import and international transit of live cetaceans
- Secretariat developed draft Best Practice Guidelines to assist Parties with implementation of this Resolution
 - making use of information submitted by Parties in response to April 2015 questionnaire
 - draft guidelines circulated for comments in December 2016



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- In order to adopt the Best Practice Guidelines and update the list of countries with live capture prohibitions in place, Doc.24.2.4 proposes additions to the consolidated version
- Proposed new text is underlined
- Existing, already adopted, text should not be renegotiated

- Draft Decisions have been added, referring the matter to the Standing Committee from now on
 - brought to Council only because it appeared on its Programme of Work, policy guidelines not actually within its remit



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