**REVIEW MECHANISM AND NATIONAL LEGISLATION PROGRAMME**

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DRAFT DECISION

**Directed to the Secretariat**

13.AA The Secretariat shall:

1. Revise the National Legislation Programme questionnaire to include requests for information on the implementation of Article III, paragraphs 4a) and b) as already requested in order to implement section II paragraph 2 of Resolution 12.9 and as decided in Decision 12.6 para. c);

1. Promote the completion and submission of the revised National Legislation Programme questionnaire by Parties to the Secretariat;
2. In cooperation with relevant Partners, support Parties, as necessary and subject to available resources, through the provision of, inter alia, guidance materials, model laws, technical assistance and capacity-building workshops in relation to Article III paragraphs 4a), 4b) and 5, as provided in Resolution 12.9 section II paragraph 7.
3. In relation to Parties that have completed and submitted the National Legislation Programme questionnaire with respect to Article III paragraph 5, and subject to the availability of resources:
   1. Analyse the information submitted through the questionnaires regarding legislation and other domestic measures in place relating to implementation of Article III, paragraph 5 of the Convention;
   2. Continue the preparation of national legislation profiles and identify the Parties that have not implemented Article III, paragraph 5 of the Convention;
   3. Inform all Parties about the findings and recommended actions and provide technical support to assist Parties in drafting adequate national legislation to implement the provisions of Article III, paragraph 5 of the Convention;
   4. As appropriate, liaise with National Focal Points regarding the information submitted through the questionnaires and further actions to be taken;
   5. As appropriate, prepare training materials and conduct capacity building workshops;

1. report to the Conference of Parties at its 14th meeting on the progress in implementing Resolution 12.9 and this decision;
2. collaborate closely with the UNEP and CITES National Legislation Programme, taking into account the specificity of CMS.
3. ensure participation in the discussions on the review mechanism for the post-2020 global biodiversity framework.

**Directed to the Standing Committee**

13. BB The Standing Committee is requested to:

* 1. consider the implementation of the Review Mechanism and report to the 14th meeting of the Conference of the Parties, including any recommendations for modifications of the procedure or criteria;

**Directed to the Parties**

13. CC Parties are requested to review the implementation of the review mechanism at the14th meeting of the Conference of the Parties

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* 1. Parties are strongly encouraged to submit information regarding their legislation and other domestic measures relating to implementation of Article III, paragraphs 4a), **4**b) and 5, as provided in section II paragraph 2 of Resolution 12.9, on the basis of a questionnaire developed by the Secretariat.

b) Parties that have completed and submitted the National Legislation questionnaire are requested to:

* + 1. as appropriate, liaise with the Secretariat and provide clarifications or further information on the legislation and domestic measures in place;
    2. within six months of having received the findings and recommended actions from the Secretariat, indicate the procedures, action and reasonable time frames that are envisaged in response;
    3. take appropriate measures to implement Article III, paragraph 5 in accordance with the indicated procedures and time frames;

1. Parties are invited to provide financial or technical support to further strengthen the legal development and institutional capacity through the implementation of the National Legislation Programme and the Review Mechanism.