

Resolution 3.7

Membership of the Standing Committee

The Conference of the Parties to the Convention,

Noting that composition of the membership of the Standing Committee was established by Resolution 2.5 adopted at the second meeting of the Conference of the Parties (Geneva, 1988), which provides, inter alia, for Parties to be elected with due regard to geographical distribution,

Recognizing that members, for whatever reason, may not be able to attend meetings of the Standing Committee and that such absences may reduce the capacity of the Standing Committee to carry out its assigned tasks,

Amends Resolution 2.5, paragraph 2(a) as follows:

"The membership of the Standing Committee shall consist of:

- (i) One Party elected from each of the five major geographic regions, consisting of Africa, America and the Caribbean, Asia, Europe, Oceania;
- (ii) The Depository Government;
- (iii) The next host Party; and
- (iv) One Party elected as an alternate member from each of the five regions described in subparagraph (i) to attend the meetings as the regional member in the absence of the member of the region to which it belongs;"