

CONVENTION ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN ENDANGERED SPECIES  
OF WILD FAUNA AND FLORA



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AGARWOOD  
(Agenda item 17.2.1)

1. This document has been submitted by Indonesia, in relation to agenda item 17.2.1.

**Agarwood Working Group**

- 16.xx a) The Agarwood Working Group shall be created.
- b) The Secretariat shall reconvene the Working Group, subject to the availability of external funding.
- c) The Working Group shall discuss the capacities needed for the implementation of the Appendix-II listing of *Aquilaria* spp. and *Gyrinops* spp., related to sustainable harvest and scientifically based non-detriment findings and shall review the recommendations contained in Annex X to these Decisions.
- d) This Working Group shall report to the Conference of the Parties at its 17th meeting.

**Agarwood-producing taxa**

- 16.xx The Conference of the Parties adopted the Action Plan attached as Annex x to these Decisions, to complete knowledge on the status of conservation of, trade in and sustainable use of *Aquilaria* and *Gyrinops* spp.

**Annex 4**

**Action plan for *Aquilaria* and *Gyrinops* spp.**

1. The range States of ~~*Cedrela odorata*, *Dalbergia rotusa*, *Dalbergia granadillo* and *Dalbergia stevensonii*~~ *Aquilaria* and *Gyrinops* spp. shall:
- a) complete and update the available information on the species mentioned in this Decision;
- b) assess the populations of the species mentioned in this Decision, taking into account *inter alia* the distribution, cover, density, size structure, regeneration dynamics and changes in land use in keeping with available budgets in the range States;
- c) report the existence, extent and type of forest plantations of the species mentioned in this Decision;
- d) compile the information related to export of the species mentioned in this Decision, including volumes and products, indicating the percentage from plantations;
- e) report to the Secretariat progress in the compilation of the information outlined in paragraphs a), b), c) and d) above, 60 days before the ~~19th and 20th~~ 21st and 22nd meetings of the Plants Committee

(PC1921 and PC2022), so that the Secretariat may present a report to the Committee and the Committee may adopt the necessary measures;

- f) consider the inclusion of ~~their populations of *Cedrela odorata*, *Dalbergia retusa*, *Dalbergia granadillo* and *Dalbergia stevensonii*~~ in Appendix III, with the adequate annotation, and ensure the implementation and enforcement of CITES with regard to these species in that Appendix; other agarwood producing taxain Appendix II at CoP17;
  - g) consider the production of identification material for those species and similar species, collaborating with relevant expert organizations; and
  - h) consider providing technical and financial support to the Secretariats of CITES and the International Tropical Timber Organization (ITTO), in the framework of Resolution Conf. 14.4 on *Cooperation between CITES and ITTO regarding trade in tropical timber*.
2. Parties, with regard to ~~*Cedrela odorata*, *Dalbergia retusa*, *Dalbergia granadillo* and *Dalbergia stevensonii*~~, *Aquilaria* and *Gyrinops* spp. shall:
- a) compile the information on the import and re-export of the species mentioned in this Decision, including origin (wild or cultivated), volumes and products, indicating the country of origin and final destination;
  - b) report the existence, extent and type of forest plantations of the species mentioned in this Decision, including exported volumes and products;
  - c) report to the Secretariat on the compilation of the information outlined in paragraphs a) and b) above, 60 days before the ~~19th and 20th~~ 21st and 22nd, so that the Secretariat may present a report to the Committee and the Committee may adopt the necessary measures; and
  - d) continue, support and strengthen the cooperation between CITES and ITTO in the framework of Resolution Conf. 14.4.
3. The Plants Committee shall:
- a) establish the relevant methodology and necessary formats for the presentation of the information requested for the implementation of this Decision;
  - b) request the Working Group on ~~the *Aquilaria* and *Gyrinops* spp the Bigleaf Mahogany and Other Neotropical Timber Species~~ to incorporate, as a part of its activities and in the context of the present Decision, an analysis of information received on the species concerned, and to facilitate communication and the exchange of information between range States, including knowledge and experience gained as a result of the Appendix-III listing of *Aquilaria* and *Gyrinops* spp. *Cedrela odorata*;
  - c) receive, analyse and follow up the Action Plan at its ~~19th and 20th~~ 21st and 22nd meetings; and
  - d) propose the relevant recommendations, such as an Appendix-II listing, for ~~*Cedrela odorata*, *Dalbergia retusa*, *Dalbergia granadillo* and *Dalbergia stevensonii*~~ *Aquilaria* and *Gyrinops* spp. prior to the ~~16th~~ 17th meeting of the Conference of the Parties.
4. The Secretariat shall:
- a) seek external funding from interested parties, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, exporters, importers and other entities directly interested in supporting this Decision;
  - b) inform Parties of the management of funds that have been raised, of technical assistance and of how they may accede to these resources;
  - c) request technical and financial support from ITTO in the framework of Resolution Conf. 14.4 on *Cooperation between CITES and ITTO regarding trade in tropical timber*, and
  - d) promote and assist capacity building in the range States through workshops, trainings and other activities considered relevant in the period between the ~~15th and 16th~~ 16th and 17th meetings of the Conference of the Parties.