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## **DECISION 10(XXIX)**

## **ITTO WORK PROGRAMME FOR THE YEAR 2001**

The International Tropical Timber Council,

Recalling Decision 9(XXIV) on the ITTO Libreville Action Plan; Decision 7(XXV) on ITTO Programme of work for 1999; and Decision 7(XXVII) on ITTO Work Programme for the year 2000;

Welcoming the Draft Work Programme for the Year 2001 [Document ITTC(XXIX)/10] prepared by the Executive Director;

#### Decides to:

- 1. Endorse the Work Programme for the year 2001 as contained in the Annex to this Decision as modified by the Executive Director to incorporate consequential changes reflecting the Decisions by Council at its Twenty-ninth Session;
- Urge Members to pay arrears in the assessed contributions to the Administrative Account and encourage Members to contribute to the Special Account and to the Bali Partnership Fund to facilitate implementation of the Work Programme; and
- 3. Request the Executive Director to report to Council at its Thirtieth and Thirty-first Sessions on the progress in implementing the Work Programme.

## ANNEX

# ITTO WORK PROGRAMME FOR THE YEAR 2001

# **INTERNATIONAL TROPICAL TIMBER COUNCIL (ITTC)**

## **ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES**

	Activity	Implementation Approach and Cost Implications
(i)	Continue and conclude the work on intellectual property rights [ITTC Decision 10(XXII)] and ITTC report contained in document ITTC(XXIV)/19.	Regular Sessions' work. Council agreed to reconsider the matter after the issue is discussed by producer and consumer caucuses.
(ii)	Hold two regular sessions (the Thirtieth, in Cameroon from 28 May to 2 Jun. 2001, and the Thirty-first in Yokohama, Japan from 29 Oct. to 3 Nov. 2001 [ITTA, 1994, Article 9].	Routine. Regular Sessions' work.
(iii)	Consider and approve the Organization's administrative budget for the Year 2002, and assess the contribution of each Member [ITTA, 1994, Article 19 (3)].	Routine. Regular Sessions' work.
(iv)	Appoint independent auditors for the purpose of auditing the accounts of the Organization for the 2001 financial year [ITTA, 1994, Article 23 (1)].	Routine. Regular Sessions' work.
(v)	Review the "personnel" and "translation" costs chargeable to the resources of the programme support fund [ITTC Decisions 7(XXVI) and 8(XXVIII)].	Regular Sessions' work. Council decided to undertake the review at its Thirtieth Session.
(vi)	Consider the results of the work of the CFA on Members' arrears in contribution to the Administrative Account and, if appropriate, take follow-up action.	Routine. Regular Sessions' work.
(vii)	Consider the results of discussions of the CFA on the Organization's information policy, strategy and work, and, if appropriate, take follow-up action.	Regular Sessions' work. Eventual decision on follow-up actions may have additional cost implications.
(viii)	Consider the Draft Work Programme for the Year 2002 [Decision 7(XXVII)].	Routine. Regular Sessions' work.
(ix)	Consider the progress of implementation of the ITTO Work Programme for the Year 2001.	Routine. Regular Sessions' work.
(x)	Continue its consideration of frequency and duration of the Sessions of Council and Committees [Decision 5(XXIX)].	Regular Sessions' work. Council has agreed to consider the issue at its Thirty-first Session.

#### **PROJECT ACTIVITIES**

# Activity Implementation Approach and Cost Implications

(i) Decide on eligibility of approved actions, projects and pre-projects for funding out of sub-accounts A and B of the Bali Partnership Fund [ITTA, 1994, Article 21, ITTC Decisions 6(XXVI) and 9(XXVII).

Routine. Regular Sessions' work.

(ii) Decide on project work, including financing, taking into account the recommendations made by the Committees on project proposals and on-going and completed approved projects [ITTA, 1994, Articles 20, 21 and 25]. Routine. Regular Sessions' work.

(iii) Make allocations from unearmarked funds available in the Bali Partnership Fund and/or Special Account to fund implementation of eligible approved actions, projects and pre-projects [ITTC Decision 9(XXVII)]. Routine. Regular Sessions' work.

(iv) Review the mechanism established under Decision 9(XXVII) for the prioritization and monitoring of actions, pre-projects and projects funded by the Sub-Account B of the Bali Partnership Fund.

Council has decided to undertake the review during its Thirtieth Session.

#### STRATEGIC POLICY ACTIVITIES

# Activity Implementation Approach and Cost Implications

(i) Review the scope of the ITTA, 1994 [ITTA, 1994, Article 35].

Regular Sessions' work.

(ii) Decide on format presentation and type of information Members shall furnish on timber, its trade and the activities aimed at achieving sustainable management of timber producing forests [ITTA, 1994, Article 29 (a)].

Regular Sessions' work.

(iii) Promote the exchange of views among Member countries regarding:

Routine. Regular Sessions' work.

- The status of sustainable management of timber producing forests and related matters in Member countries;
- Resource flows and requirements in relation to objectives, criteria and guidelines set by the Organization.

[ITTA, 1994, Article 30 (4)]

(iv) Continue to monitor developments related to the prevention and management of forest fire [ITTC Decision 8(XXIV)] and decide on follow-up actions as appropriate [IAG 4: para. 11].

Regular Sessions' work. Eventual decision on follow-up actions may have additional cost implications.

(v) Conclude consideration of the results of the field testing of and training workshops on the "Manual for Application of Criteria and Indicators for Sustainable Regular Sessions' work.

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Consider measures to further encourage the

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Management of Natural Tropical Forests"; and review the Manual as appropriate [ITTC Decision 3(XXVI), IAG 4: para 7].	
Finalize the review of the results of the work for development of an auditing system for ITTO's Criteria and Indicators for Sustainable Forest Management [ITTC Decision 5(XVIII)], and consider follow-up action as appropriate.	Regular Sessions' work. Eventual decision on follow-up actions may have additional cost implications.
Continue to consider the role of ITTO in forest and forest products-related international agenda [Decisions 10(XXVIII) and 13(XXIX)].	Regular Sessions' work. Council has established an inter-sessional panel to consider and report to Council at its Thirtieth Session recommendations for the ITTO's involvement in relevant international and regional organizations and fora.
Continue to work related to the development of a comprehensive framework and practical working manuals on all relevant aspects of sustainable tropical forest management [ITTC Decision 6(XXVII) and document ITTC(XXVIII)/11].	Regular Sessions' work.
Continue to review the progress made by:  Member countries towards achieving the Year 2000 Objective; and  The ITTO in enhancing the capacity of Member countries to implement a strategy for achieving the Year 2000 Objective. [ITTC Decision 10(XXVI), IAG 4: para. 6].	Regular Sessions' work.
Undertake the annual review and assessment of the international timber situation [ITTA, 1994, Article 30(a)].	Routine. Regular Sessions' work.
Review the adequacy of the resources available in the Bali Partnership Fund and endeavour to obtain additional resources needed by producing Members to achieve the purpose of the Fund [ITTA, 1994, Article 21(5), IAG 4: para 4].	Routine. Regular Sessions' work.
Consider and, if appropriate, take decision on actions to further strengthen cooperation between ITTO and UNFF, FAO, UN/ECE and EUROSTAT [cooperation related to ITTC Decisions 6(XXII) and 6(XXV), and cross cutting strategies (section 2) in the Libreville Action Plan].	Routine. Regular Sessions' work.
Arrange consultations on members' proposals to list internationally traded tropical timber species in the CITES Appendices that have been reported to the Secretariat since the last Session [Decision 3(XVI)].	Routine. Regular Sessions' work.

Regular Sessions' work.

#### Activity

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participation of non-government stakeholders, including industry and trade associations, environmental organizations and indigenous groups, in the activities of the Organization [cross cutting strategies (section 2) in the Libreville Action Plan].

(xv) Continue work related to strategic communications and outreach framework.

Regular Session's work.

(xvi) Consider measures to further enhance ITTO's public relation, awareness and education activities in order to better inform people about the purposes and activities of the Organization [cross cutting strategies, (section 2) in the Libreville Action Plan]. Regular Sessions' work.

(xvii) Consider the reports of the Informal Advisory Group (IAG), in order to organize Sessions work [ITTC Decisions 3(XXII) and 5(XXVI)]. Routine. Regular Sessions' work.

(xviii) Consider the progress reports on the implementation of the ITTO fellowship programme [ITTC Decision 4(XXVII)].

Routine. Regular Sessions' work.

(xix) Consider recommendations proposed in the reports of the Fellowship Selection Panel [ITTC Decision 4(XXVII)].

Routine. Regular Sessions' work.

(xx) Review of Progress in the implementation of the ITTO Libreville Action Plan

Regular Sessions' work.

(xxi) Consider and approve an action plan for ITTO for the period 2002-2006 [Decision 11(XXIX)].

Regular Sessions' work supported by working documents prepared with the assistance of the Secretariat, consultants and an expert panel.

(xxii) Continue work on draft decisions considered during the Twenty-ninth Session:

Regular Sessions' work.

- Framework for Guidelines on the Management of Secondary Tropical Forests;
- Certification;
- Illegal Logging and Trade in Illegally Harvested Timber;
- Provision of Training on the Application of Criteria and Indicators in Producer Member Countries and Facilitation of Reporting of Progress Towards Achieving Sustainable Management; and
- Guidelines for Establishing Auditing Systems for ITTO's Criteria and Indicators for Sustainable Forest Management. [Decision 14 (XXIX)]

(xxiii) Consider and approve a format to facilitate the reporting of progress in implementing the ITTO Criteria and Indicators [Decision 2(XXIX)].

Regular Sessions' work supported by a format proposal developed by the Executive Director.

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- (xxiv) Consider results of assistance provided to Members to identify those factors which most severely limit progress towards achieving Objective 2000 and sustainable forest management and formulate action plans to overcome these constrains [Decision 2(XXIX)].
- Regular Sessions' work to be carried out in light of results of assistance provided to Members under Decision 2(XXIX).
- (xxv) Consider the results of the cooperation actions between ITTO and the ATO outlined and approved in Decision 4(XXIX).

Regular Sessions' work.

(xxvi) Consider the work plan prepared to assist members in the conservation, rehabilitation and utilization of mangroves [Decision 9(XXIX)].

Regular Sessions' work.

(xxvii) Consider the results of the Technical Mission to be organized by ITTO to assist the Government of Indonesia [Decision 12 (XXIX)].

Regular Sessions' work.

## **ALL THREE TECHNICAL COMMITTEES**

#### **PROJECT ACTIVITIES**

# Activity Implementation Approach and Cost Implications (i) With the assistance of the Expert Panel for Technical Appraisal of Project Proposals, appraise relevant committee project and pre-project proposals submitted by Member countries [ITTA, 1994, Article 27(4)].

(ii) With assistance of the ITTO Secretariat and independent consultants (as necessary), ensure effective monitoring and evaluation of approved projects in the relevant Committees [ITTA, 1994, Article 27(4)].

Routine. Regular Sessions' work.

(iii) Review the results of project work in the relevant committees and make recommendations to Council on ITTO's Work Programme for the Year 2002 [ITTA, 1994, Article 27(4)].

Routine. Regular Sessions' work.

(iv) Select projects for ex-post evaluation following procedures outlined in ITTC Decision 3(XXVIII). Routine. Regular Sessions' work.

(v) Consider project ideas and provide guidance to Member countries for the formulation of relevant committee project proposals which meet the priorities set in the Libreville Action Plan [CEM: Action Plan, section 3.1, goal 1 action 6, goal 2, action 8, and goal 3, action 4; CRF: Action Plan, section 3.2, goal 1, action 7, goal 2, action 5 and goal 3, action 6; CFI: Action Plan, Section 3.3 goal 1, action 6, goal 2, action 3, and goal 3, action 5]. Routine. Regular Sessions' work.

(vi) Consider and, if appropriate, take action to disseminate information on projects findings and results [ITTA, 1994, Article 27(4), Libreville Action Plan, section 2]. Routine. Regular Sessions' work.

#### STRATEGIC POLICY ACTIVITIES

# Activity Implementation Approach and Cost Implications

 Review the results of policy work in the relevant Committees and make recommendations to Council on ITTO's Work Programme for the Year 2002 [ITTA, 1994, Article 27(4)]. Routine. Regular Sessions' work.

## COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC INFORMATION AND MARKET INGELLIGENCE

#### STRATEGIC POLICY ACTIVITIES

#### Activity Implementation Approach and **Cost Implications** (i) Continue to monitor the issue of the competitiveness Regular Sessions' work. of tropical timber and tropical timber products with timber and non-timber substitutes [Libreville Action Plan, section 3.1, goal 2, action 7]. Continue to consider the trade in Secondary (ii) Regular Session's work. Processed Wood Products (SPWP). Continue monitoring of development in forest Regular Sessions' work. (iii) certification and timber labeling [Libreville Action Plan, section 3.1, goal 3]. (iv) Implement actions to further cooperate with FAO, Regular Session's work. UN/ECE, and EUROSTAT to improve the availability Recommendation for additional of trade and economic data relevant to the global funding of the activity approved by timber market and avoid duplication and overlap ITTC at its Twenty-ninth Session [Libreville Action Plan, section 3.1, goal 1, action 3]. and funded. (v) Propose ways to streamline the collection and Regular Sessions' work. dissemination of statistical data [Libreville Action Plan, section 3.1, goal 1, action 2]. (vi) Consider a study on the relationship between Consideration will be taken up at international trade in timber and deforestation/forest the Twenty-eighth Session of the degradation. Committee (28 May - 2 June 2001). In cooperation with industry and trade associations, (vii) Regular Sessions' work. 'Regulations for a Sustainable organize and hold the ITTO 2001 Annual Market Discussion on the world tropical timber trade -Timber Trade' - relevant issues during the Thirtieth Session of the ITTC, Yaoundé, have been selected as the theme Cameroon, 28 May - 2 June 2001 [Libreville Action for the ITTO 2001 Annual Market Plan, section 3.1, goal 2, action 1]. Discussion. (viii) Monitor and analyze statistical data and other Routine. Regular Sessions' work. relevant information, including any information on undocumented trade [Libreville Action section 3.1, goal 1, action 4]. Consider results of the study on the medium and The study, implemented under (ix) longer term outlook for the tropical timber market pre-project PPD 27/99 (M), is

[Libreville Action Plan, section 3.1, goal 2, action 2].

expected to be completed in

2001.

## COMMITTEE ON REFORESTATION AND FOREST MANAGEMENT

#### STRATEGIC POLICY ACTIVITIES

#### Activity

- (i) Continue the work related to development of a comprehensive framework and practical working manuals on all relevant aspects of sustainable tropical forest management [ITTC Decision 6(XXVII) and document ITTC(XXVIII)/11].
- (ii) Continue and conclude field testing and training workshops on: "The Application of Criteria and Indicators for Sustainable Management of Natural Tropical Forests" and review the Manual as appropriate [ITTC Decision 3(XXVI)].

# Implementation Approach and Cost Implications

Regular Sessions' work. Assumes terms of reference and cost estimates for the continued work may be proposed by the Committee and agreed upon by Council at its Thirtieth Session (28 May – 2 June, 2001)

Three training workshops have been conducted by the end of 2000. The fourth workshop will be conducted in January 2001.

#### **COMMITTEE ON FOREST INDUSTRY**

#### STRATEGIC POLICY ACTIVITIES

#### **Activity**

(i) Development of "Guidelines on Increasing Utilization Efficiency and the Reduction of Losses and Waste throughout the Production Chain" [Libreville Action Plan, section 3.3, goal 3, action 1].

(ii) Implement work to follow-up on the results of the "Review of the Status of Tropical Timber Further Processing in Producer Countries" [Libreville Action Plan, section 3.3, goal 1, action 2].

# Implementation Approach and Cost Implications

Regular Session's work. The Consultant's report on the study on "Increasing Utilization Efficiency and the Reduction of Losses and Waste throughout the Production Chain" [PPD 24/992 (I)] was considered by the Committee at its Twenty-seventh Session (30 Oct. - 4 Nov. 2000). The consideration of this report will continue during the Twenty-eighth Session of the Committee (28 May -2 June 2001). Assumes that the Committee at the Twenty-eighth Session will approve terms of reference and cost estimates to commission consultants to develop draft guidelines and to establish an Expert Panel to review them.

Regular Session's work. The Consultant's report on the "Review of the Status of Tropical Timber Further Processing in Producer Countries" [PPD 25/99 (I)] was considered by the Committee at its Twenty-seventh Session (30 Oct. -4 Nov. 2000). The consideration of this report will continue during the Twenty-eighth Session of the Committee (28 May - 2 June 2001. Assumes that the Committee at its Twenty-eighth Session will approve terms of reference and cost commission estimates to consultants to carry out work needed to assist the Committee to promote and monitor processing of tropical timber in producing countries.

# **COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION**

## **ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCE ACTIVITIES**

	Activity	Implementation Approach and Cost Implications
(i)	Review the independent audited statement for the 2000 financial year [ITTA, 1994, Article 27(6)].	Routine. Regular Sessions' work.
(ii)	Make recommendations to Council on the appointment of auditors for the purpose of auditing the accounts of the Organization for the 2001 financial year [ITTA, 1994, Article 27(6)].	Routine. Regular Sessions' work.
(iii)	Examine and make recommendations to Council regarding the approval of the Organization's administrative budget proposals for the year 2002 [ITTA, 1994, Article 27(6)].	Routine. Regular Sessions' work.
(iv)	Review the assets of the Organization to ensure prudent asset management and that the Organization has sufficient reserves to carry out its work. [ITTA, 1994, Article 27(6)].	Routine. Regular Sessions' work.
(v)	Examine and make recommendations to the Council on the budgetary implications of the Organization's annual work programme, and the actions that might be taken to secure the resources needed to implement it [ITTA, 1994, Article 27(6)].	Routine. Regular Sessions' work.
(vi)	Continue its work with a view to make recommendations to Council on the Organization's information policy, strategy and work.	Routine. Regular Sessions' work.
(vii)	Assist and make recommendations to the Council for the allocation of funds under the Bali Partnership Fund sub-account B, and monitor implementation of the actions, pre-projects and projects funded by the sub-account B. [ITTC Decision 9(XXVII)].	Routine. Regular Sessions' work.
(viii)	Consider the report of an Inter-Sessional CFA Working Group on Financial Matters and make recommendations to Council regarding, <i>inter alia</i> , criteria for selection of activities, pre-projects and projects to be financed from the Sub-account B of the BPF; treatment of arrearages of Members to the Administrative Budgets, and other financial related matters.  [Report of the CFA at its Eight Session].	Regular Sessions' work.
(ix)	Review at the Ninth Session of the Committee, the costs for personnel and translation chargeable to the resources of the Programme Support Fund in the Special Account and make recommendations to Council [ITTC Decision 5(XI) and 8(XXVIII)].	Regular Sessions' work.

## **SECRETARIAT**

The Secretariat, through the Executive Director, is responsible for the day-to-day running and administration of the Organization and for meetings preparations. The proposed work for the Secretariat in 2001 is as follows:

- (i) Preparation for Sessions of Council and Committees, including the drafting and arrangements for translation and distribution of necessary documents.
- (ii) Service Council and Committees during Sessions scheduled in 2001.
- (iii) Organize and provide assistance to two meetings of the Expert Panel for Technical Appraisal of Project Proposals in 2001.
- (iv) Organize and assist the work of panels and working groups decided by the Council on an ad hoc basis.
- (v) Carry out statistical work and preparation of draft Annual Review and Assessment of the International Timber Situation.
- (vi) Carry out project monitoring and evaluation work needed to assist the ITTO Committees' task of ensuring appropriate monitoring/evaluation of ITTO financed pre-projects and projects (159 operational pre-projects and projects as of September 2000)
- (vii) Preparation of draft 2000 Annual Report of the Organization.
- (viii) Develop a Draft Annual Work Programme for the Year 2002.
- (ix) Prepare a proposal for the administrative budget for the Year 2002.
- (x) Take necessary actions for printing, translation and dissemination of ITTO publications.
- (xi) Represent and provide for ITTO contribution in meetings, conferences, seminars, working groups and other activities implemented by relevant cooperating agencies and fora such as the Common Fund for Commodities, UN/ECE, UNCTAD, WTO, FAO, CITES, UNFF, World Bank, IUFRO, IUCN, ATO, etc.
- (xii) Implement (or arrange for implementation as appropriate), pre-projects, projects and activities placed under the Secretariat's responsibility by the Council, including:
  - a. ITTO Fellowship Programme (Freezailah Fellowship Fund)
  - b. Project PD 73/89 (M,F,I)
    Assistance for Project Identification and Formulation
  - c. Project PD 13/99 Rev.2 (M,F,I) ITTO Information Network and Project Support
  - d. Project PD 16/93 Rev.4 (M) Phase IV
     Market Information Service for Tropical Timber and Timber Products
  - e. Assisting the organization of the ITTO 2001 Annual Market Discussion
  - f. Project PD 58/97 Rev.1 (I)

    The Establishment of the Database of Tropical Industrial Lesser-Used Wood Species
  - g. Project PD 25/95 Rev.1 (M)
     Training Workshops on Tropical Forestry and Timber Trade Statistics

- h. Pre-Project PPD 8/93 (F)
  Demonstration Areas for Sustainable Management of Production Forests
- i. Pre-Project PPD 50/91 (I)
   Provision of Assistance for Reassessment and Reformulation of Project Proposals
   PD 205/91 (I) "National Saw Maintenance Centre", and PD 209/91 (I) "Study of Zairian Timber with a View to Promoting Certain Species"
- Pre-Project PPD 27/99 (M)
   Medium- and Long-term Outlook for the Tropical Timber Market.
- k. PP-A/23-63
   Activity to Facilitate Development of a Joint ITTO/ECE-FAO/EUROSTAT Forest Statistics Questionnaire (ITTO)
- I. Pre-Project PPD 14/00 (M)
  Strengthening the Market Discussion
- (xiii) Providing and facilitating access to relevant information and knowledge contained in ITTO publications and project findings.
- (xiv) Carrying out public relations, awareness and education activities in order to better inform people about the objectives and activities of the Organization.
- (xv) Encourage the participation of non-government stakeholders, including industry and trade associations, environmental organizations and indigenous groups, in the activities of the Organization, with a view to promoting transparency and dialogue.
- (xvi) Continue to improve use of the ITTO web site as an outreach tool to ensure regular dissemination of information and linkages to relevant organizations.
- (xvii) Consider the integration of a strategy related to communications and outreach as an integral component of the new ITTO action plan. This would include an assessment of additional audiences the organization should be targeting. It could also include consideration of appropriate communications and outreach activities towards international organizations as well as ways to raise the profile of ITTO in the international community.
- (xviii) Organize and convene an inter-sessional CFA working group on financial matters.
- (xix) Provide assistance to individual producer countries, on request, in setting up ITTO Objective 2000 Boards.
- (xx) Develop a format to facilitate the reporting of progress in implementing the ITTO Criteria and Indicators.
- (xxi) Render assistance to up to five producer countries, on request, to identify, in each country, those factors which most severely limit progress towards achieving Objective 2000 and sustainable forest management and to formulate an action plan to overcome these constraints.
- (xxii) Identify messages on progress made to date and segment them into appropriate messages for ITTO's various target audiences and develop outputs, including a brochure, that promulgate these messages particularly those that address advances related to Objective 2000.
- (xxiii) Select and engage two consultants to:
  - Assist ATO in the assessment and refinement of principles, criteria and indicators for sustainable management of African forests and to make them consistent and compatible with ITTO guidelines and criteria and indicators;

- Assist ATO in organizing a regional workshop, with the participation of experts from Member countries and other stakeholders in order to review and adapt the ITTO principles, criteria and indicators for sustainable management to African forests for use by ATO; and
- Formulate a project proposal to be submitted to ITTO, with several phases if necessary, in order to develop a framework of cooperation between ITTO and ATO with a view to ensuring the promotion and application of the refined initiative on principles, criteria and indicators for sustainable forest management of African forests, and aimed at helping develop credible forest management assessment and monitoring systems which could eventually support certification.
- (xxiv) Develop a work plan to assist Members in the conservation, rehabilitation, and utilization of mangroves.
- (xxv) Engage consultants to assist in the preparation of a working paper on the new ITTO action plan.
- (xxvi) Organize and convene an expert panel to prepare a draft action plan for the period 2002-2006.
- (xxvii) Organize a Technical Mission to assist the Government of Indonesia to identify ITTO support especially in formulating forestry action plans to achieve sustainable forest management.
- (xxviii) Organize and convene an expert panel to consider and make recommendations for ITTO's involvement in relevant international and regional organizations and fora.
- (xxix) Carrying out any other tasks decided by Council on an ad hoc basis through Decisions adopted.

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