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DECISION 2(XXVIII)

COOPERATION BETWEEN INTERNATIONAL TROPICAL TIMBER ORGANIZATION AND CAB INTERNATIONAL TO PARTICIPATE IN THE FORESTRY COMPENDIUM PROGRAMME

The International Tropical Council,

Recalling Article 1(f) of the International Tropical Timber Agreement (ITTA), 1994 "to promote and support research and development with a view to improving forest management and efficiency of wood utilisation as well as increasing the capacity to conserve and enhance other forest values of timber producing tropical countries",

Recognizing the importance of high quality data and information to support sustainable forest management efforts,

Noting the exceptional nature of this request in relation to established procedures and considering the urgency of this opportunity.

<u>Further noting</u> that the Compendium contains useful information relating to tropical tree species and their silviculture,

Decides to:

- Participate in the Forestry Compendium Programme on the basis of a one time payment of US\$100,000;
- Authorize the Executive Director to seek voluntary contributions from Member countries to meet
 the financial requirements of this decision. If sufficient contributions are not received by
 1 October 2000, the Executive Director is requested to use funds from Sub-account B of the Bali
 Partnership Fund; and
- Request the Executive Director to consider participation in the meetings of the development consortium related to the Forestry Compendium Programme and to provide a report at the next Council Session.

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