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## DECISION 4(XXXII)

### PREPARATION FOR RENEGOTIATION OF THE ITTA, 1994

The International Tropical Timber Council,

Recalling Article 46 of the ITTA, 1994;

Noting that the ITTA, 1994, entered into force on 1 January 1997;

Also noting Decision 4(XXVIII) by which the ITTA, 1994, was extended for a period of three years until 31 December 2003;

Recognizing the need to improve efficiency, effectiveness and relevance of the Organization in meeting its objectives;

Decides to:

1. Request the Executive Director to appoint two consultants, one from a producer country and one from a consumer country, to identify new and evolving issues of relevance to the ITTC and with an impact on trade in tropical timber from sustainable sources with a view to informing the Council as it prepares for its consideration of the future of the Agreement, prior to the Thirty-third Session of the Council; this includes *inter alia*:
  - Look at the work and mechanisms of other relevant Organizations and treaties, e.g. WTO, UNFF, CBD, UNCCD, UNFCCC, WSSD, and relevant Commodity Organizations.
  - Identify emerging issues and developments in international trade, including *inter alia* current market trends on tropical timber; the potential role of certification in promoting and creating incentives for sustainable tropical forest management; the increased attention to forest law enforcement; and developments in recognizing the environmental services provided by forests.
  - Produce a report by 30 September 2002 and present it at the Thirty-third Session of the Council.
2. Authorize the Executive Director to seek voluntary contributions from Member Countries to meet the financial requirements of this Decision, not exceeding US\$50,000.00.

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