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DECISION 8(XXX)

COOPERATION BETWEEN THE INTERNATIONAL TROPICAL TIMBER ORGANIZATION (ITTO) AND IUCN – THE WORLD CONSERVATION UNION

The International Tropical Timber Council,

Recalling Decision 13(XXIX) on the role of the ITTO in international organizations and fora, which recognized the continuing need for the ITTO to cooperate with and contribute to other international organizations and processes;

Noting the dialogue that has been established between the ITTO and the IUCN – The World Conservation Union;

Recognizing the many areas where ITTO and the IUCN share policy concerns and goals, while having different levels of technical expertise and focus in areas where they could cooperate;

Realizing that closer cooperation between ITTO and IUCN in these areas could lead to synergies of effort that would benefit both organizations;

Decides to:

1. Request the Executive Director to work with the IUCN Secretariat to deepen cooperation between the two organizations that will, *inter alia*:
 - Improve awareness among the general public of those areas where the objectives, policies and activities of the two organizations coincide;
 - Strengthen cooperation between ITTO and IUCN in the formulation, implementation, monitoring, evaluation and co-financing of ITTO projects, pre-projects and activities, in areas where ITTO could benefit from IUCN's technical expertise;
 - Ensure the appropriate participation of ITTO in the 2003 IUCN World Parks Congress by, for example, convening a satellite meeting and displaying publications and posters to provide information on ITTO's programmes and activities; and
 - Convene an international workshop in order to share experiences gained in areas of common interest;

2. Authorize the Executive Director to seek voluntary contributions from Member Countries to meet the financial requirements of this decision, not exceeding US\$165,000.00 for the financing of the workshop mentioned above and not exceeding US\$23,000.00 for the financing of ITTO participation in the World Parks Congress in 2003. If sufficient contributions are not received by 31 October 2001, the Executive Director is requested to use funds from the Sub-Account B of the Bali Partnership Fund.

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