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### DECISION 7(XXVI)

#### DOCUMENT TRANSLATION COSTS

The International Tropical Timber Council,

Recalling its Decision 5(XI) on the "Programme Support" in the Special Account which are to be charged to projects, pre-projects and activities;

Recalling also its Decision 4(XV) which decided that 0.5% of the total budget for all projects, pre-projects and activities, to be placed in a pool of funds to be used solely to defray the costs of translating project and pre-project proposals;

Recalling also its Decision 6(XXV) which decided to review the costs of translation at the Twenty-sixth Session;

Acknowledging with gratefulness the continued willingness of the Government of Japan to bear the translation costs of all project and pre-project proposals, Council and other Committee documents;

Acknowledging also the efforts made by the Secretariat in exercising measures to achieve savings in costs of translation of documents as requested by Council in its Decision 2(XXV);

Noting the recommendations made by the Committee on Finance and Administration at its Fifth Session regarding its review of translation costs in the Programme Support;

Decides to:

1. Authorize the transfer of an amount of US\$150,800.00 from the General Programme Support to the component of "Translation Costs" in the Programme Support to eliminate most of the deficit incurred in that account as at the end of the financial year 1998;
2. Maintain the charges to be deducted in all budgets of projects, pre-projects and activities, to defray the costs of translating project and pre-project proposals at the current percentage of 0.50% as decided in Decision 4(XV);
3. Continue to monitor the resources of the "Translation Costs" component in the Programme Support Fund until its Session in mid-2001 and to request the Secretariat to prepare a document showing the expenditures and income under the component of "Translation Costs" to facilitate discussion at that Session.

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