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DECISION 3(XIX)
INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

The International Tropical Timber Council;

Recalling the ITTA, 1983, which established the Organization as a new and unique legal entity;

Noting that projects funded by the ITTO Special Account produce a wide variety of publications;

Further noting that certain ITTO research and development projects may give rise to patentable inventions;

Desiring to ensure that ITTO receives due legal protection of its intellectual property and all royalty income where applicable;

Decides to:

1. Request the Executive Director to employ the services of a consultant, subject to the availability of funds in the Special Account, to prepare a report for consideration by Council based on the following terms of reference:
 - a) Examination of the intellectual property right protection systems in use or under consideration by other international organizations such as the multilateral development banks, U.N. agencies, international commodity organizations and the Common Fund for Commodities.
 - b) Investigation of the legal and administrative implications for ITTO in adopting any such systems used by other international organizations.
 - c) Consideration of the management of revenues from the sale or use of ITTO intellectual property rights.
 - d) Development of draft guidelines on the protection of ITTO intellectual property rights.
2. Consider the consultant's report at the Twentieth Council Session.

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