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DECISION 4(XI)

ESTABLISHMENT OF A FINANCE COMMITTEE

The International Tropical Timber Council,

Recognizing ITTO's position as an important international institution,

<u>Having considered</u> the established practice in international organizations of elected member countries holding responsibility for the periodic consideration of proposals which impact on annual administrative budgets,

 $\underline{\text{Having reqard}} \text{ to discussions at the Tenth Council Session in Quito [recorded on pages 19 and 20 of document ITTC(X)/20],}$

- 1. <u>Decides</u> to establish a Finance Committee which would have the following <u>mandate</u>:
 - a.to examine the annual budget proposal;
 - b.to examine budgetary implications of the annual work plan;
 - c.to review ITTO revenues and the extent to which they constrain the
 work of the Secretariat;
 - d.to make recommendations to the Council on actions that might be taken to secure the resources needed to implement the work programme.

The Finance Committee would also have a role in reviewing annual audited statements and draft decisions that may have implications for the Administrative Budget.

- 2. <u>Decides</u> that the Finance Committee should be open to all producer and consumer member countries under the chairmanship of a member country representative elected annually, the first Finance Committee to be formed at the Twelfth Session of the ITTC.
- 3. $\underline{\text{Decides}}$ that the Finance Committee should organize its meeting during Council Sessions.

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