RECALLING Resolutions Conf. 1.5, paragraph 3, Conf. 1.7, Conf. 2.18, Conf. 4.8, Conf. 4.24, Conf. 5.9, Conf. 5.22, paragraph c), Conf. 6.18, Conf. 6.22, last paragraph, and Conf. 7.11, adopted by the Conference of the Parties at its first, second, fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh meetings (Bern, 1976; San José, 1979; Gaborone, 1983; Buenos Aires, 1985; Ottawa, 1987; Lausanne, 1989), relating to readily recognizable parts and derivatives;

RECOGNIZING that Article I of the Convention defines a ‘specimen’ as including readily recognizable parts and derivatives of animals and plants but does not define the term ‘readily recognizable’, which is therefore subject to differing interpretations by the Parties;

NOTING that the trade in parts and derivatives regulated by one Party is therefore not always subject to regulation in others;

ACKNOWLEDGING the right under Articles III, IV and V of the Convention of those importing Parties that wish to do so only to permit import from a State party on presentation of CITES documentation;

CONSIDERING that proper monitoring of and reporting on trade in ranched specimens are only possible if all importing countries consider all products of the operation to be readily recognizable;

RECOGNIZING that the species or genera of coral from which coral sand and coral fragments [as defined in Annex 1 of Resolution Conf. 11.10 (Rev. CoP12)] are derived cannot be readily determined;

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AGREES that the term ‘readily recognizable part or derivative’, as used in the Convention, shall be interpreted to include any specimen which appears from an accompanying document, the packaging or a mark or label, or from any other circumstances, to be a part or derivative of an animal or plant of a species included in the Appendices, unless such part or derivative is specifically exempted from the provisions of the Convention;

RECOMMENDS that:

a) Parties consider all products of ranching operations to be readily recognizable; and

b) importing Parties that require that CITES export permits or re-export certificates accompany imports of parts and derivatives do not waive that requirement when such parts and derivatives are not considered to be readily recognizable by the exporting or re-exporting Party;

AGREES that coral sand and coral fragments (as defined in Annex 1 of Resolution Conf. 11.10) are not considered readily recognizable and are therefore not covered by the provisions of the Convention; and

REPEALS the Resolutions, or parts thereof, listed hereunder:

a) Resolution Conf. 4.8 (Gaborone, 1983) - Treatment of Exports of Parts and Derivatives without Permit from a Party to Another which Deems them Readily Recognizable;

* Amended at the 11th meeting of the Conference of the Parties.
1 Repealed by Resolution Conf. 9.25 (Rev.).
2 Repealed by the adoption of document Com. 9.14.
3 Corrected by the Secretariat: formerly referred to Resolution Conf. 11.10.
b) Resolution Conf. 5.9 (Buenos Aires, 1985) – Control of Readily Recognizable Parts and Derivatives;

c) Resolution Conf. 5.22 (Buenos Aires, 1985) – Criteria for the Inclusion of Species in Appendix III – recommendation c); and

d) Resolution Conf. 6.22 (Ottawa, 1987) – Monitoring and Reporting Procedures for Ranching Operations – the paragraph under ‘RECOMMENDS’.