

*Recognizing also* the important work of the International Consortium on Combating Wildlife Crime, a collaborative effort of the secretariat of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora, the International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL), the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, the World Bank and the World Customs Organization, by, inter alia, providing technical assistance to Member States, upon request,

*Acknowledging* the crucial role played by all relevant stakeholders, including civil society, as well as local, rural and indigenous communities, in addressing illicit trafficking in wildlife,

*Noting* the efforts of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime in promoting and facilitating effective responses to prevent and combat illicit trafficking in wildlife,

*Noting with appreciation* the expert discussions on crimes that affect the environment during the intersessional meeting of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice held from 14 to 16 February 2022,

1. *Invites* Member States to provide the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime with their views on possible responses, including the potential of an additional protocol to the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime, to address any gaps that may exist in the current international legal framework to prevent and combat illicit trafficking in wildlife, as well as with their experiences, good practices and challenges in terms of preventing and combating illicit trafficking in wildlife, and their national legislation in this sphere;

2. *Invites* Member States that are parties to the Organized Crime Convention to provide the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime with information on the use of the Convention as an international legal instrument to address illicit trafficking in wildlife, taking into account relevant resolutions in this regard, inter alia, Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime resolution 10/6;

3. *Requests* the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to compile a report on the information provided by Member States and submit it for the consideration of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice at its thirty-second session;

4. *Invites* Member States and other donors to provide extrabudgetary contributions for the above-mentioned purposes, in accordance with the rules and procedures of the United Nations.

#### **Decision 31/1**

### **Report of the Board of Trustees of the United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute**

4. At its 9th meeting, on 18 May 2022, the Commission decided to transmit to the Economic and Social Council the report of United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute ([E/CN.15/2022/8](#)), which had been prepared pursuant to article IV, paragraph 3 (e), of the statute of the Institute and approved by a decision of the Board of Trustees taken at its meeting held online on 22 and 23 October 2021.