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Liability and redress (Article 14, paragraph 2)

**Decision adopted by the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on
Biological Diversity on 1 November 2024**

16/23. Liability and redress (Article 14, paragraph 2)

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling its decision [14/21](#) of 29 November 2018,

Recalling also the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework,¹ in which it established the mission of the Framework as, among other things, being to take urgent action to halt and reverse biodiversity loss,

Noting that the compilation of submissions and information on recent developments in the area of liability and redress for damage to the environment in general, and biological diversity in particular, submitted at the sixteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties² revealed an increasing awareness among Parties of the need for adopting and implementing appropriate policy and legal or administrative measures to avoid or mitigate such damage,

1. *Invites* Parties to continue to take appropriate measures to address damage to biological diversity, including response measures, in accordance with relevant international obligations;

2. *Decides* to review the topic of liability and redress in the context of Article 14, paragraph 2, of the Convention on Biological Diversity³ at its eighteenth meeting, taking information on relevant developments into account, including progress in the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework.

¹ Decision 15/4, annex.

² See CBD/COP/16/INF/10 and CBD/COP/16/12, respectively.

³ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1760, No. 30619.