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Annex 9b Decision Document on:

Working Mechanism between Regional Secretariat, CTI Bodies and Partners

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Philippines, Solomon Islands, and Timor-Leste**

I. Background

The CTI-CFF IRS Operational Plan for 2013 tasks the IRS to provide such services as planning, conduct of events, and the establishment and implementation of protocols. This task requires close coordination with partners and other CTI-CFF bodies, in particular, the WGs. The current organizational structure of the CTI-CFF does not include the coordination mechanism necessary for the Regional Secretariat to perform its coordination and facilitation role effectively. A well-defined operational coordination mechanism, including guidelines on working relationship between the Regional Secretariat and other CTI-CFF bodies and partners, is required to fill this gap.

II. Decisions

Based on material presented by the CMWG and IRS and discussions during the session on *Coordination Mechanism* at SOM9, the Senior Officials hereby:

1. Task the CMWG to develop a description of an operational coordination mechanism, including a set of systematic and effective guidelines that define the working relationship between the Secretariat and partners and the other CTI-CFF bodies (notably the WGs) and take into account the anticipated establishment of the permanent Regional Secretariat;
2. Request the IRS to provide the CMWG with documents needed to develop said coordination mechanism and guidelines.