

CONVENTION ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN ENDANGERED SPECIES  
OF WILD FAUNA AND FLORA

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REVIEW OF SIGNIFICANT TRADE IN SPECIMENS OF APPENDIX II SPECIES

The Working Group on the Review of Significant Trade had two main tasks: to report on progress in the implementation of the Review of Significant Trade, particularly species already in the process (as per AC21 Doc. 10.1.1 (Rev.1)); and to select species for trade reviews after CoP13 (as per AC21 Doc. 10.2).

In terms of the first task, the WG considered three matters:

- a) finalisation of recommendations on *Cuora amboinensis* in Indonesia and Malaysia (Doc. 10.1.1 (Rev.1), Paragraph 9);
- b) renewal of the preliminary categorisation of *Falco cherrug* proposed by the Secretariat, eliminate range States where the species is of least concern, and formulate, in consultation with the Secretariat, recommendations for the remaining ones (Doc. 10.1.1 (Rev.1), Para. 13); and
- c) review the available responses from States and other documents to determine whether the AC is satisfied that Article IV is correctly implemented [Doc.10.1.1 (Rev.1), Paragraph15]

Membership:

Chairman: Mr Thomas Althaus (AC Chairman).

Members: representative of Europe (Ms Katalin Rodics) and alternate representative of Central and South America and the Caribbean (Sr. Alvaro José Velasco Barbieri);

Parties: Belgium; Canada; China; Czech Republic; Denmark (Greenland); France; Germany; Honduras; Indonesia; Italy; Madagascar; Netherlands; Slovakia; South Africa; Spain; Tanzania; Tunisia; United Arab Emirates; United Kingdom; United States; Zambia;

IGOs and NGOs: IFAW; International Animal Trade Organization; Deutsche Gesellschaft Für Herpetologie und Terrarienkunde E.V.; Species Survival Network; Whale and Dolphin Conservation Society; Conservation Force; David Shepherd Wildlife Foundation; Pet Care Trust; IUCN; WWF-US; International Council for Game and Wildlife Conservation; Safari Club International Foundation; UNEP-WCMC; Pro Wildlife; International Caviar Importers Association France.

CITES Secretariat (also as rapporteur).

**CUORA AMBOINENSIS:**

**Malaysia:**

The Working Group recommended that the AC make the following recommendations to Malaysia for *Cuora amboinensis*:

- a) The Malaysian Management Authority should provide information to the Secretariat of its implementation of Article IV for trade in *Cuora amboinensis* in Peninsular Malaysia, Sarawak and Sabah; and
- b) The MA should commit to undertake a status assessment and field study of the species in Peninsular Malaysia, Sabah and Sarawak to be completed within 24 months, and to develop and implement an adaptive management programme for the species on the basis of the results of this study.

The reports should also address the nature of ranching procedures in Malaysia and the discrepancy between export and import trade data.

#### **Indonesia:**

The Working Group recommended that the AC make the following recommendations to Indonesia for *Cuora amboinensis*:

- a) The Indonesian Management Authority should review the annual export quota for *Cuora amboinensis*; and
- b) The MA should commit to undertake a status assessment and field study of the species to be completed within 24 months, and to develop and implement an adaptive management programme for the species on the basis of the results of this study.

#### **FALCO CHERRUG**

The WG suggested that the AC maintain the three categories as indicated in AC21 Doc. 10.1.1 (Rev.1) Annex 1 (Provisional categorisation of *Falco cherrug* by the Secretariat in accordance with Paragraphs (g) to (i) of Resolution Conf. 12.8 (Rev. COP13)).

The only change suggested to the listed countries was the addition of Slovakia to category (iii), "Range states where *Falco cherrug* is categorised as of 'least concern' and where the available information appears to indicate that the provisions of Article IV, paragraph 2(a), 3 or 6(a) are being implemented."

The WG suggested that when issuing recommendations, the following elements should be considered:

- i) Range states where *Falco cherrug* is categorised as of 'urgent concern':
  - immediately establishing a zero quota for wild and captive bred specimens; informing the AC about the status of the species and how the status was determined; informing the AC on which basis the non-detriment findings would be found; providing AC with full details on any captive breeding facilities.
- ii) Range states where *Falco cherrug* is categorised as 'possible concern':
  - a) Countries for which UNEP-WCMC have recorded exports and who have not replied to Secretariat requests for information:
    - informing the AC about the status of the species and how the status was determined; informing the AC on which basis the non-detriment findings were made; providing full details to the AC on any captive breeding facilities; informing the country that lack of response to requests for information could result in re-categorisation into category i).
  - b) Countries for which UNEP-WCMC have not recorded exports and who have not replied to Secretariat requests for information:
    - informing the AC about the status of the species and how the status was determined; informing the AC on which basis the non-detriment findings were made if trade were to be permitted; informing the country that lack of response to requests for information could result in re-categorisation into category i).
- iii) Range states where *Falco cherrug* is categorised as of 'least concern':
  - these countries will be excluded from the process

#### **ARTICLE IV IMPLEMENTATION**

See Annex to this document.

#### **SELECTION OF NEW SPECIES (AC21 Doc. 10.2)**

The WG decided to address previously selected and suggested species, and not to add too many new species to the list.

The WG suggested one genus and one species for inclusion under the Significant Trade Review process:

*Mantella* (all species)

*Testudo graeca* (Lebanon)

The Chairman advised that when species were to be selected in accordance with paragraph (c) of the resolution, supporting documentation should be provided in advance.

The issue of the selection of *Monodon monoceros* was referred to a small working group.

RESPONSES RECEIVED FROM RANGE STATES TO CORRESPONDENCE SENT  
BY THE SECRETARIAT IN 2004 CONCERNING THE SPECIES SELECTED  
BY THE ANIMALS COMMITTEE AFTER COP12 FOR THE REVIEW OF SIGNIFICANT TRADE

**Psittacus erithacus**

Range State	Response	Recommendations	Comments
Angola	No reply	Included	
Benin	No reply	Included	
Burundi	No reply	Included	
Cameroon	Reply received	Included	
Côte d'Ivoire	Reply received	Included	
Central African Republic	No reply	Included	
Congo	No reply	Included	
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Reply received	Included	
Equatorial Guinea	No reply	Included	
Gabon	Reply received	Included	
Ghana	Reply received	Excluded from review	Ban in place
Guinea	No reply	Included	
Guinea-Bissau	Reply received	Included	
Kenya	Reply received	Included	
Liberia	No reply	Included	
Mali	No reply	Included	
Nigeria	No reply	Included	
Rwanda	No reply	Included	
Sierra Leone	No reply	Included	
Togo	Reply received	Included	
Uganda	No reply	Included	
United Republic of Tanzania	No reply	Excluded from review	Ban in place (reported at AC21)

**Poicephalus senegalus**

Range State	Response	Recommendations	Comments
Benin	No reply	Included	
Burkina Faso	No reply	Included	
Cameroon	No reply	Included	
Chad	No reply	Included	
Côte d'Ivoire	Reply received	Included	
Gambia	No reply	Included	
Ghana	No reply	Included	

Guinea	No reply	Included	
Guinea-Bissau	Reply received	Included	
Liberia	No reply	Included	
Mali	No reply	Included	
Mauritania	No reply	Included	
Niger	No reply	Included	
Nigeria	No reply	Included	
Senegal	No reply	Included	
Sierra Leone	No reply	Included	
Togo	Reply received	Included	

### Gracula religiosa

Range State	Response	Recommendations	Comments
American Samoa, Guam, Hawaiian Islands, Puerto Rico (United States of America)	Reply received	Excluded from review	Species not native; small introduced population exists
Bangladesh	No reply	Included	
Bhutan	No reply	Included	
Brunei Darussalam	No reply	Included	
Cambodia	No reply	Included	
China	Reply received	Excluded from review	No legal trade reported since 2000
India	No reply	Included	
Indonesia	Reply received	Excluded from review	Zero quota set up since 2000
Malaysia	Reply received	Included	
Myanmar	No reply	Included	
Nepal	No reply	Included	
Philippines	Reply received	Excluded from review	No reported trade
Singapore	Reply received	Excluded from review	Minimal figures for re-exports only
Sri Lanka	No reply	Included	
Thailand	No reply	Included	
Viet Nam	Reply received	Excluded from review	No permits for legal export given since 2000

**Callagur borneoensis**

Range State	Response	Recommendations	Comments
Brunei Darussalam	No reply	Included	
Indonesia	Reply received	Excluded from review	Zero quota reported
Malaysia	Reply received	Included	
Thailand	No reply	Included	

**Phelsuma dubia**

Range State	Response	Recommendations	Comments
French Polynesia, Mayotte, Wallis and Futuna Islands (France)	No reply	Included	
Kenya	Reply received	Included	
Madagascar	No reply	Included	
Mozambique	No reply	Included	
United Republic of Tanzania	No reply	Included	

**Phelsuma v-nigra**

Range State	Response	Recommendations	Comments
Comoros	No reply	Included	
French Polynesia, Mayotte, Wallis and Futuna Islands (France)	No reply	Included	

**Phelsuma comorensis**

Range State	Response	Recommendations	Comments
Comoros	No reply	Included	

**Uromastyx acanthinura**

Range State	Response	Recommendations	Comments
Algeria	No reply	Included	
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	No reply	Included	
Morocco	Reply received	Excluded from review	Exports only for scientific purposes and for zoos
Tunisia	No reply	Excluded from review	No trade - reported at AC21

**Uromastyx benti**

Range State	Response	Recommendations	Comments
Oman	No reply	Included	
Saudi Arabia	No reply	Included	
Yemen	No reply	Included	

#### Uromastyx dispar

Range State	Response	Recommendations	Comments
Algeria	No reply	Included	
Chad	No reply	Included	
Mali	No reply	Included	
Mauritania	No reply	Included	
Sudan	No reply	Included	

#### Uromastyx geyri

Range State	Response	Recommendations	Comments
Algeria	No reply	Included	
Mali	No reply	Included	
Niger	No reply	Included	

#### Uromastyx ocellata

Range State	Response	Recommendations	Comments
Djibouti	No reply	Included	
Egypt	No reply	Included	
Eritrea	No reply	Included	
Ethiopia	Reply received	Included	
Somalia	No reply	Included	
Sudan	No reply	Included	

#### Furcifer cephalolepis

Range State	Response	Recommendations	Comments
Comoros	No reply	Included	

#### Hippopus hippopus

Range State	Response	Recommendations	Comments
American Samoa, Guam, Hawaiian Islands, Puerto Rico (United States of America)	Reply received	Excluded from review	Minimal re-exports only
Australia	No reply	Included	

China	Reply received	Excluded from review	No commercial trade since 1999
Comoros	No reply	Included	
Fiji	No reply	Included	
India	No reply	Included	
Indonesia	Reply received	Excluded from review	No commercial exports
Japan	No reply	Included	
Kenya	No reply	Included	
Kiribati	No reply	Included	
Malaysia	No reply	Included	
Marshall Islands	No reply	Included	
Mauritius	No reply	Included	
Micronesia	No reply	Included	
Myanmar	No reply	Included	
New Caledonia (France)	Reply received	Included	
Palau	No reply	Included	
Papua New Guinea	No reply	Included	
Philippines	Reply received	Excluded from review	No commercial exports
Solomon Islands	Reply received	Excluded from review	Only hatchery operations
Somalia	No reply	Included	
Thailand	Reply received	Excluded from review	Export prohibition in place
Tonga	No reply	Included	
Vanuatu	No reply	Included	
Viet Nam	No reply	Included	

#### **Tridacna crocea**

<b>Range State</b>	<b>Response</b>	<b>Recommendations</b>	<b>Comments</b>
American Samoa, Guam, Hawaiian Islands, Puerto Rico (United States of America)	Reply received	Excluded from review	Minimal regulated exports; minimal re-exports
Australia	No reply	Included	
China	Reply received	Excluded from review	No commercial exports since 1999
Fiji	No reply	Included	
India	No reply	Included	
Indonesia	Reply received	Excluded from review	No commercial exports
Japan	No reply	Included	
Malaysia	No reply	Included	
New Caledonia (France)	Reply received	Included	

Palau	No reply	Included	
Papua New Guinea	No reply	Included	
Philippines	Reply received	Excluded from review	No commercial exports
Singapore	Reply received	Excluded from review	Minimal re-exports only
Solomon Islands	Reply received	Excluded from review	Only hatchery operations
Thailand	Reply received	Excluded from review	No commercial exports
Vanuatu	No reply	Included	
Viet Nam	No reply	Included	

#### Tridacna derasa

Range State	Response	Recommendations	Comments
American Samoa, Guam, Hawaiian Islands, Puerto Rico (United States of America)	Reply received	Excluded from review	Minimal regulated exports; minimal re-exports
Australia	No reply	Included	
Comoros	No reply	Included	
Cook Islands	Reply received	Excluded from review	Only hatchery operations
Fiji	No reply	Included	
Indonesia	Reply received	Excluded from review	No commercial exports
Marshall Islands	No reply	Included	
Micronesia	No reply	Included	
New Caledonia (France)	Reply received	Included	
Palau	No reply	Included	
Papua New Guinea	No reply	Included	
Philippines	Reply received	Excluded from review	No commercial exports
Solomon Islands	Reply received	Excluded from review	Only hatchery operations
Tonga	No reply	Included	
Vanuatu	No reply	Included	
Viet Nam	No reply	Included	

**Tridacna gigas**

<b>Range State</b>	<b>Response</b>	<b>Recommendations</b>	<b>Comments</b>
American Samoa, Guam, Hawaiian Islands, Puerto Rico (United States of America)	Reply received	Excluded from review	Minimal regulated exports; minimal re-exports
Australia	No reply	Included	
China	Reply received	Excluded from review	No commercial exports
Comoros	No reply	Included	
Fiji	No reply	Included	
Indonesia	Reply received	Excluded from review	No commercial exports
Japan	No reply	Included	
Kiribati	No reply	Included	
Malaysia	No reply	Included	
Marshall Islands	No reply	Included	
Micronesia	No reply	Included	
Myanmar	No reply	Included	
Palau	No reply	Included	
Papua New Guinea	No reply	Included	
Philippines	Reply received	Excluded from review	No commercial exports
Seychelles	Reply received	Excluded from review	Aquaculture production only
Solomon Islands	Reply received	Excluded from review	Only hatchery operations
Thailand	Reply received	Excluded from review	No commercial exports
Tonga	No reply	Included	
Vanuatu	No reply	Included	
Viet Nam	No reply	Included	

**Tridacna maxima**

<b>Range State</b>	<b>Response</b>	<b>Recommendations</b>	<b>Comments</b>
American Samoa, Guam, Hawaiian Islands, Puerto Rico (United States of America)	Reply received	Excluded from review	NDF issued in accordance with Art IV
Australia	No reply	Included	
China	Reply received	Excluded from review	No commercial exports
Comoros	No reply	Included	
Cook Islands	Reply received	Excluded from review	Only hatchery operations
Egypt	No reply	Included	
Fiji	No reply	Included	

French Polynesia, Mayotte, Wallis and Futuna Islands (France)	No reply	Included	
India	No reply	Included	
Indonesia	Reply received	Excluded from review	No commercial exports
Japan	No reply	Included	
Kenya	No reply	Included	
Kiribati	No reply	Included	
Madagascar	No reply	Included	
Malaysia	No reply	Included	
Marshall Islands	No reply	Included	
Mauritius	No reply	Included	
Micronesia	No reply	Included	
Mozambique	No reply	Included	
Myanmar	No reply	Included	
New Caledonia (France)	Reply received	Included	
Niue	No reply	Included	
Palau	No reply	Included	
Papua New Guinea	No reply	Included	
Philippines	Reply received	Excluded from review	No commercial exports
Pitcairn Islands (United Kingdom)	No reply	Included	
Réunion (France)	No reply	Included	
Saudi Arabia	No reply	Included	
Seychelles	Reply received	Excluded from review	Aquaculture production
Singapore	Reply received	Excluded from review	Minimal re-exports only
Solomon Islands	Reply received	Excluded from review	Only hatchery operations
Somalia	No reply	Included	
South Africa	No reply	Excluded from review	Information provided at AC21
Sri Lanka	No reply	Included	
Thailand	Reply received	Excluded from review	No commercial exports
Tonga	No reply	Included	
United Republic of Tanzania	No reply	Included	
Vanuatu	No reply	Included	
Viet Nam	No reply	Included	

**Tridacna squamosa**

<b>Range State</b>	<b>Response</b>	<b>Recommendations</b>	<b>Comments</b>
American Samoa, Guam, Hawaiian Islands, Puerto Rico (United States of America)	Reply received	Excluded from review	NDF issued in accordance with Art IV
Australia	No reply	Included	
China	Reply received	Excluded from review	No commercial exports
Comoros	No reply	Included	
Cook Islands	Reply received	Excluded from review	Only hatchery operations
Egypt	No reply	Included	
Fiji	No reply	Included	
India	No reply	Included	
Indonesia	Reply received	Excluded from review	No commercial exports
Japan	No reply	Included	
Kenya	No reply	Included	
Kiribati	No reply	Included	
Madagascar	No reply	Included	
Malaysia	No reply	Included	
Marshall Islands	No reply	Included	
Mauritius	No reply	Included	
Micronesia	No reply	Included	
Mozambique	No reply	Included	
Myanmar	No reply	Included	
New Caledonia (France)	Reply received	Included	
Niue	No reply	Included	
Palau	No reply	Included	
Papua New Guinea	No reply	Included	
Philippines	Reply received	Excluded from review	No commercial exports
Pitcairn Islands (United Kingdom)	No reply	Included	
Saudi Arabia	No reply	Included	
Seychelles	Reply received	Excluded from review	Aquaculture production
Singapore	Reply received	Excluded from review	Minimal re-exports only
Solomon Islands	Reply received	Excluded from review	Only hatchery operations
Somalia	No reply	Included	
South Africa	No reply	Excluded from review	Information provided at AC21
Sri Lanka	No reply	Included	

Thailand	Reply received	Excluded from review	No commercial exports
Tonga	No reply	Included	
United Republic of Tanzania	No reply	Included	
Vanuatu	No reply	Included	
Viet Nam	No reply	Included	