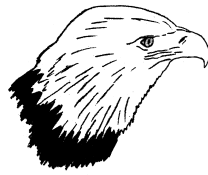


CONVENTION ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN ENDANGERED SPECIES  
OF WILD FAUNA AND FLORA



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Trade in *Tursiops truncatus ponticus*

REVIEW OF PROGRESS ON DECISION 11.91

This document was submitted by the United States of America.

Background

1. The United States and Georgia submitted to the 11th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties, a proposal (Proposal 11.14), to transfer *Tursiops truncatus ponticus* from Appendix II to Appendix I. During the discussion of the proposal, it became clear that a lack of information on this species was preventing the Parties from a full discussion of conservation options. The proposal was withdrawn and a working group of Committee I prepared a draft decision calling for the Animals Committee to evaluate the biological status of and trade in this species using data from range States gathered by the CITES Secretariat.

Decision 11.139

2. The following is the text of Decision 11.139:

*The Secretariat shall:*

- a) *request that range States for Black Sea bottlenose dolphins, *Tursiops truncatus ponticus*, provide the following information, to assist the Animals Committee in its work:*
  - i) *the number of dolphins taken from the wild each year (including age, sex, capture methods and capture mortality);*
  - ii) *the number of dolphins exported each year;*
  - iii) *the population status, if available;*
  - iv) *any non-detriment findings issued by Scientific Authorities for this subspecies; and*
  - v) *if available, the number of dolphins killed incidental to fishing operations, if any;*
- b) *request that Parties that have authorized import of these dolphins provide details of the imported animals (numbers, sex, holding facilities and mortalities);*

- c) urge Parties not to allow any export (or re-export) of live dolphins without evidence from the Management Authority of the country of destination that the animals will be received and maintained in proper facilities; and*
- d) coordinate measures with the relevant international organization on these matters, specifically the Bern Convention, the Bucharest Convention, the Bonn Convention and ACCOBAMS.*

#### Decision 11.91

3. The following is the text of Decision 11.91:

*The Animals Committee shall:*

- a) review the issues pertaining to the conservation and trade in *Tursiops truncatus ponticus*;*
- b) evaluate the information received by the Secretariat in response to its request under Decision 11.139; and*
- c) request range States to cooperate with experts to examine the genetics of this population and evaluate its distinctiveness, through the collection and analysis of tissue samples.*

#### Suggested interim plan of action

- 4. The United States of America notes that the Secretariat has not finalized the Decisions of CoP11 and has therefore not yet solicited the information from range States necessary for the Animals Committee to undertake its review. However, the United States of America, with the assistance of the UNEP World Conservation Monitoring Centre, herewith presents available data on exports of this species (see Annex) for the consideration of the Committee. For information, the range States of this subspecies are Bulgaria, Georgia, Romania, the Russian Federation, Turkey and Ukraine.
- 5. In accordance with the last directive to the Animals Committee in Decision 11.91, the United States is actively soliciting tissue samples from range States and importing States for use in DNA testing. It encourages range States and importing States for this species to contact it to arrange the possible submission of tissue samples for this purpose. All results will be shared.
- 6. The United States recommends that a working group of Animals Committee be established at the 16th meeting to review the data available and develop a plan for obtaining additional information and undertaking the review requested of the Committee.

#### Comments from the Secretariat

- 7. This matter will be incorporated into the work plan for the Secretariat for 2001. Concerning the recommendation in paragraph 5, the Secretariat is of the opinion that it is premature to establish a working group before the request for information has been sent out.

All trade in <i>Tursiops truncatus</i> 1990-1999 Probable <i>T. t. ponticus</i> trade in bold										
Year	Taxon	Imp.	Exp.	Origin	Imports reported			Exports reported		
					Quantity	P	S	Quantity	P	S
1990	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	AT	BR					1	T	C
1990	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	ES	BR		2	Z	C			
1990	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	IT	BR					1	T	
1990	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	US	CA	US				3	Z	
1990	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	CH	CU		6	Z				
1990	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	ES	CU		6	Z				
1990	<i>Tursiops truncatus aduncus</i>	CN	HK		8	Q				
1990	<i>Tursiops truncatus aduncus</i>	HK	ID					8		
1990	<i>Tursiops truncatus gilli</i>	IL	JP					3	E	
1990	<i>Tursiops truncatus gilli</i>	KR	JP					1	T	
1990	<i>Tursiops truncatus gilli</i>	TH	JP					4	E	
1990	<i>Tursiops truncatus aduncus</i>	CN	PH					2	Q	
1990	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	CA	US					5		W
1991	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	US	CA	US				3	Z	W
1991	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	DE	CH	CU	2	Z				
1991	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	DE	CH	CU				2		W
1991	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	CH	CU		2	Q	W			
1991	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	TC	GB	TW				1		W
1991	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	TC	GB	US				1	S	O
1991	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	TC	GB	US				1		W
1991	<i>Tursiops truncatus aduncus</i>	PH	ID		2	Q		2	Q	
1991	<i>Tursiops truncatus aduncus</i>	TH	ID					6		
1991	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	SU	IL	SU	4	S				
1991	<i>Tursiops truncatus gilli</i>	KP	JP					1	T	
1991	<i>Tursiops truncatus aduncus</i>	MY	PH	ID				2	Q	
1991	<b><i>Tursiops truncatus</i></b>	<b>VN</b>	<b>SU</b>					<b>3</b>	<b>Z</b>	
1991	<b><i>Tursiops truncatus</i></b>	<b>YU</b>	<b>SU</b>					<b>8</b>	<b>S</b>	

1991	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	CA	US					6		W
1992	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	US	CA	US				3	Z	U
1992	<i>Tursiops truncatus aduncus</i>	PH	CN	ID				2	Q	W
1992	<i>Tursiops truncatus aduncus</i>	CN	HK	ID	4	Q	W			
1992	<i>Tursiops truncatus aduncus</i>	CN	HK	XX	2	Q	U			
1992	<b><i>Tursiops truncatus</i></b>	<b>UA</b>	<b>HU</b>	<b>UA</b>				<b>3</b>		<b>W</b>
1992	<i>Tursiops truncatus aduncus</i>	PH	ID		2	Q				
1992	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	CL	MX					2	Q	
1992	<b><i>Tursiops truncatus</i></b>	<b>AR</b>	<b>RU</b>					<b>7</b>	<b>S</b>	
1992	<b><i>Tursiops truncatus</i></b>	<b>CL</b>	<b>RU</b>					<b>3</b>	<b>S</b>	
1992	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	CA	US					3		U
1992	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	CA	US		2	Z	W	3		W
1992	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	CA	US		1	Z	C			
1993	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	CO	AR		1	S	W			
1993	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	TN	BG	CU	3	Q	C	3	Q	C
1993	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	US	CA	US				3	T	C
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1993	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	ES	CU		4	E	W			
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1993	<b><i>Tursiops truncatus</i></b>	<b>IL</b>	<b>RU</b>					<b>3</b>	<b>S</b>	
1993	<b><i>Tursiops truncatus</i></b>	<b>LT</b>	<b>RU</b>					<b>5</b>	<b>Q</b>	
1993	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	CA	US					3		U
1993	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	CA	US					2		W
1993	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	CA	US					1		C

1994	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	CO	AR		1	Q	W	1	Z	W
1994	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	MX	CL	MX	2	Q	W			
1994	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	CO	CU		3	Q	W			
1994	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	MX	CU		8	Z	W			
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1994	<i>Tursiops truncatus aduncus</i>	CN	ID		12	Z	W	12		
1994	<i>Tursiops truncatus aduncus</i>	CN	ID		2	Q	W	8		
1994	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	PH	ID		2	Q	O			
1994	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	CN	JP	CN				2	Z	W
1994	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	PE	MX					2	Q	W
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1995	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	CL	PE	MX				2	Q	W
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1996	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	PA	CO	CU				1	Q	
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1997	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	PR	DO	AR			2 Q	W
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1997	<i>Tursiops truncatus aduncus</i>	MY	ID		2 T	W		
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1997	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	VN	ID				2 Q	C
1997	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	CN	JP		8 Z	W	2 Z	W
1997	<i>Tursiops truncatus gilli</i>	KR	JP		1 T	W	1 Z	W
1997	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	PE	MX	CU			6 Z	W
1997	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	GB	MY	ID			2 Q	O
1997	<i>Tursiops truncatus aduncus</i>	ID	MY		4 Q	C	4 Q	C

1997	<i>Tursiops truncatus aduncus</i>	ID	PH		2 Q	W		
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1997	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	CN	US		2 Z	W	1 T	W
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