

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



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Annotations

TREE SPECIES: ANNOTATIONS FOR SPECIES INCLUDED IN APPENDICES II AND III

1. This document has been prepared by the Secretariat.
2. At its 14th meeting (The Hague, 2007), the Conference of the Parties adopted Decision 14.148, directed to the Plants Committee on Tree species: annotations for species included in Appendices II and III, as follows:
 - a) *The Plants Committee shall review and, if appropriate, draft amendments to the annotations to the tree species listed in Appendices II and III and/or shall prepare clear definitions for the terms used in those annotations in order to facilitate their use and understanding by CITES authorities, enforcement officers, exporters and importers.*
 - b) *The amended annotations shall focus on the articles that initially appear in international trade as exports from the range States and on those which dominate the trade in and demand for the wild resource.*
 - c) *The Plants Committee shall draft, if necessary, proposals to amend Resolution Conf. 10.13 (Rev. CoP14) and/or to amend the Appendices accordingly so that the Depositary Government may submit them on its behalf for consideration at the 15th meeting of the Conference of the Parties.*
3. The Committee is invited to decide on the action needed to comply with Decision 14.148, and to consider how best to achieve its effective implementation. The work previously undertaken by the Committee to implement Decision 11.118 (Rev. CoP12) and to be found in documents PC14 Doc. 7.2, PC15 Doc. 17, PC16 Doc. 17.1, and CoP14 Prop. 27 can serve as a reference for this work.