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

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APPROVAL OF NEW PROJECTS

In accordance with the procedures for approval of externally funded projects, the Secretariat hereby presents six project proposals for the Standing Committee's approval (only sections 1 and 4 of the project proposals have been translated into Spanish and French). The selection of these projects was based principally:

- on the recommendations of the CITES Animals and Plants Committees, resulting from their research on significant levels of trade in species listed in CITES Appendix II,
- on an assessment of the importance of the project by the Management Authority of the country concerned or the CITES Secretariat.

These projects were developed and submitted by the Management Authorities of Indonesia and Madagascar. With respect to those from Indonesia, they were received by the Secretariat in a format different from that approved at the thirty-seventh meeting of the Standing Committee. Conversion of this format to the standard format may significantly change the project presentation. The Secretariat is presenting them for approval in the format in which they were received. The Secretariat encourages the Parties to use the format agreed by the Standing Committee. A table summarising each project is presented herewith. For more information, the complete project proposals are also attached.

The Secretariat is not presenting any proposals to approve new donors.

Project Number	Title	Country/Entity	Estimated cost (USD) and duration	Summary	CITES SC decision
S-99/01-P	Field Assessment of the Conservation Status and Effects of Trade on the Black-winged Lory (<i>Eos cyanogenia</i>) in Indonesia	Indonesia/ Islands in Geelvink Bay	49,000 7 months	International concern regarding the status of this species and relatively high levels of trade led to the inclusion of <i>Eos cyanogenia</i> in the CITES Significant Trade Review in 1991. Subsequently, the CITES Animals Committee recommended a moratorium on international trade pending a field survey to of its status. This species is presently the subject of a voluntary moratorium, although domestic trade may still be taking place. This project seeks to address the concerns of the CITES Animals Committee by investigating the status and extent of capture of this species in the wild.	
S-99/02-P	Status Assessment of Wallace's Hanging-Parrot (<i>Loriculus flosculus</i>) on Flores, Indonesia	Indonesia/ Flores	44,500 6 months	Loriculus flosculus was included in the CITES Significant Trade Review in 1991. Subsequently, the CITES Animals Committee recommended a moratorium on international trade in this species pending a field survey to determine its status. This project seeks to implement the recommendation for a field study to produce a status assessment of this species in the wild.	

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S-99/03-P	Assessment of Iris Lorikeet Psitteuteles (Trichoglossus) iris) in the Lesser Sundas, Indonesia	Indonesia/ Timor and Wetar Islands	58,000 8 months	International concern for the <i>P. iris</i> arose as a consequence of the paucity of information about its status, the setting of quotas with no biological basis and the international trade reported to CITES. As a result of a CITES Significant Trade Review, the CITES Animals Committee recommended a moratorium on international trade in <i>P. iris</i> pending a field status survey. The level of domestic trade is unknown. This project seeks to address the concerns of the CITES Animals Committee by investigating the status and extent of capture of this species in the wild.	
S-99/04-P	Status Assessment of Chattering Lory (<i>Lorius garrulus</i>), in the Moluccas, Indonesia	Bacan, Halmahera, Morotai, and Obi, Indonesia	58,100 8 months	International concern for the <i>P. iris</i> arose as a consequence of the paucity of information about its status, the setting of quotas with no biological basis and the international trade reported to CITES. As a result of a CITES Significant Trade Review, the CITES Animals Committee recommended a moratorium on international trade in <i>P. iris</i> pending a field status survey. The level of domestic trade is unknown. This project seeks to address the concerns of the CITES Animals Committee by investigating the status and extent of capture of this species in the wild.	

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S-99/05-P	Assessment of Status and Sustainability of Trade in the common rat snake (<i>Ptyas mucosus</i>) on Java, Indonesia.	Java, Indonesia	69,000 6 months	As of June 1997, Indonesia has no export quota for <i>Ptyas mucosus</i> . Nevertheless, considerable domestic trade still occurs. The Indonesian Institute of Sciences conducted a brief study of trade in Ptyas mucosus in 1994. However, the CITES Animals Committee considered that the data collected was insufficient for the purposes of assessing the effects of trade. As a consequence, CITES recommended further study as a precondition to resuming international trade in this species. This project is a response to that need, and is designed to provide the data that is necessary to assess the present status of the species and the probable effects and sustainability of capture.	
S-99/06-P	Study of the distribution and the population of amphibian species of the genus <i>Mantella</i> traded from Madagascar on which to base a management plan.	Madagascar	42,505 12 months	This project aims to obtain data about the Mantella species in order to elaborate a management plan. Currently animals are taken from the wild and the associated impact is not well known. This project will produce detailed data in order to elaborate a management plan to regulate the use of this species adequately.	