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

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Interpretation and implementation of the Convention

MASTER'S COURSE ON MANAGEMENT OF, ACCESS TO AND CONSERVATION OF SPECIES IN TRADE

- 1. This document has been prepared by the Secretariat.
- 2. At its 13th meeting (Bangkok, 2004), the Conference of the Parties adopted Decisions 13.104 and 13.105 on the Master's course on Management, Access and Conservation of Species in Trade.
- 3. Decision 13.104 calls upon Parties to provide financial assistance to the University of Cordoba (Spain) and to the International University of Andalusia (Spain) in order to support the continuation of this Master's course. The Secretariat is not aware whether such financial assistance has been provided.
- 4. Decision 13.105 is directed to the Standing Committee and the Secretariat, which should seek external funding to support the participation in the Master's course of students from developing countries and countries with economies in transition. The Secretariat has included this Decision in the list of Decisions and other activities identified by the Parties as requiring external funding. Unfortunately no funds have as yet been identified or pledged.
- 5. The Secretariat has received one request from the United Republic of Tanzania for support for the participation of one person in the course.
- 6. The Secretariat invites Parties to donate funds in support of this Master's course.