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



Sixty-second meeting of the Standing Committee Geneva (Switzerland), 23-27 July 2012

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

## **AFTERNOON**

## 46. Elephants The Standing Committee took note of the progress accomplished by the MIKE-ETIS Subgroup and that the Subgroup would report later in the meeting. The Standing Committee postponed a decision on this matter until later in the meeting. 46.5 Review of Resolution Conf. 10.10 (Rev. CoP15) 46.5.1 Report of the working group SC62 Doc. 46.5.1 and 46.5.2 Revision of the MIKE and ETIS sections of The Standing Committee established a joint working group on the review of Resolution Conf. 10.10 (Rev. CoP15), co-chaired by India and Uganda, that was asked to revise a Chair's text on the revision of Resolution Conf. 10.10 (Rev. CoP15), which was based on the reports of the working groups referred to in agenda items 46.5.1 and 46.5.2. The Committee accepted the terms of reference for the consultancy with the following amendments to paragraph 5. a) of document SC62 Doc. 15: Agree on what its meant by Give examples of stricter domestic measures, i.e. legislation, directives and policies, etc.

The following definition for Solely for purposes of the consultancy, and not for the purpose of serving as a definition of the measures provided for under Article XIV, paragraph 1(a), of the Convention 'Stricter domestic measures' is proposed for discussion means:

**Stricter domestic measures:** Domestic measures (legislation, regulations, decrees, policies, directives, notices, etc.) adopted by a Party regarding conditions or restrictions for international trade, taking, possession or transport of specimens of species included in the Appendices, or the complete prohibition thereof, which extend over and above the requirements of the Convention for that species with the aim of ensuring the conservation of the species through the mitigation of impacts, resulting from international trade in the species.

A footnote to the definition would read: <u>This definition is intended to encompass only those stricter domestic measures with strong relevance to the conservation of the species through the mitigation of impacts resulting from international trade in those species.</u>

The Committee <u>agreed</u> that it would be useful for the Secretariat to initiate in the future a portal or Webbased system for Parties to provide information on their stricter domestic measures on a voluntary basis.

The Committee <u>recommended</u> that the working group be continued until the 17th meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

The Standing Committee postponed discussion and a decision on this matter until later in the meeting.

The Committee <u>noted</u> the Secretariat's oral report.

The Committee <u>noted</u> document SC62 Doc. 19 and <u>recommended</u> that Parties support the Virtual College.