

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

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Interpretation and Implementation of the Convention

ENDORSEMENT IN PRINCIPLE OF A CONVENTION FOR  
THE PROTECTION OF ANIMALS

The draft resolution attached hereto as Annex has been prepared and submitted by Israel.

DRAFT RESOLUTION OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

Endorsement in Principle of a Convention for the Protection of Animals

WHEREAS the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora is concerned with the humane treatment of animals of those species listed in its appendices;

WHEREAS inhumane and indiscriminate wildlife procurement devices and techniques tend to inflict unacceptably high mortality on wild species, including those which CITES seeks to conserve;

WHEREAS inadequate wildlife confinement facilities and practices also tend to inflict unacceptably high mortality on wildlife, thus imposing unreasonably high demands on wild populations for replacement purposes;

WHEREAS the proposed Convention for the Protection of Animals seeks to establish effective, comprehensive and international standards for the ethical, humane and rational treatment of animals, including those species which, because of their endangerment are of great concern to CITES;

RECOGNIZING that the elimination of inhumane and indiscriminate wildlife procurement devices and techniques, and the elimination of wildlife confinement facilities and practices which tend to cause unacceptably high mortality, would further the interests of CITES by eliminating some unnecessary mortality among those species listed in the CITES appendices;

THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE CONVENTION

ENDORSES in principle the concept of a Convention for the Protection of Animals which would establish international standards on the procurement, transport and captive maintenance of animals.