

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

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Interpretation and implementation of the Convention

Review of Resolutions

PROPOSALS OF THE SECRETARIAT

Background

1. This document has been prepared by the Secretariat, which has continued its review of Resolutions and informed the Standing Committee, at its 62nd meeting (SC62, Geneva, July 2012), of its intention to prepare proposals for consideration at the present meeting regarding the substantive revision of several Resolutions (see document SC62 Doc. 21). These proposals arise in particular from: the normal work of the Secretariat, in the course of which it becomes aware of a variety of problems of interpretation or implementation of the Resolutions; the editorial review, that is taking place in fulfilment of Decision 14.19; and correspondence from Parties and organizations suggesting the need for corrections.
2. At SC62, the Secretariat informed the Standing Committee that it would welcome comments from interested Parties and organizations regarding its intentions. To facilitate the submission of these comments, the Secretariat posted most of the draft texts for review on the 'Substantive revision of Resolutions' Forum on the CITES website. The Secretariat is grateful to the United States of America, Humane Society International, IWMC World Conservation Trust, Safari Club International and Species Survival Network for the comments they provided.
3. Finally, there was insufficient time for the Secretariat to develop proposals in relation to all of the Resolutions that it wished to review. However, it has prepared proposals in relation to 11 Resolutions and these are presented separately in the Annexes to the present document, as follows:

- Annex 1: Conf. 4.6 (Rev. CoP15) – *Submission of draft resolutions and other documents for meetings of the Conference of the Parties*
- Annex 2: Conf. 9.5 (Rev. CoP15) – *Trade with States not party to the Convention*
- Annex 3: Conf. 9.6 (Rev.) – *Trade in readily recognizable parts and derivatives*
- Annex 4: Conf. 9.24 (Rev. CoP15) – *Criteria for amendment of Appendices I and II*
- Annex 5: Conf. 11.1 (Rev. CoP15) – *Establishment of Committees*
- Annex 6: Conf. 11.17 (Rev. CoP14) – *National reports*
- Annex 7: Conf. 11.18 – *Trade in Appendix-II and -III species*
- Annex 8: Conf. 12.3 (Rev. CoP15) – *Permits and certificates*
- Annex 9 : Conf. 12.10 (Rev. CoP15) – *Registration of operations that breed Appendix-I animal species for commercial purposes*

Annex 10: Conf. 13.6 – *Implementation of Article VII, paragraph 2, concerning 'pre-Convention' specimens*

Annex 11: Conf. 13.8 – *Participation of observers at meetings of the Conference of the Parties*

Recommendation

4. The Secretariat requests that the Conference of the Parties consider and accept the recommendations presented in each of the Annexes to the present document. (It should be noted that other amendments to the Resolutions referred to in the Annex may be proposed in other documents for the present meeting.)