



NOTIFICATION TO THE PARTIES

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CONCERNING:

Publications on iguanas

1. This Notification is distributed at the request of the United States of America.
2. Under the Environmental Cooperation Agreement of the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement (CAFTA-DR) a number of publications have been produced on efforts to strengthen CITES, combat illegal wildlife trade and ensure that the legal trade in wildlife remains sustainable. The United States has been an active sponsor and participant in the process of designing, funding and publishing a variety of these documents. The CITES portfolio under this programme is administered by the U.S. Department of the Interior's International Technical Assistance Program (ITAP), in cooperation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Management Authority and other U.S. government agencies.
3. The United States is pleased to announce the availability of two recent publications on the trade of iguanas in Central America and hopes that they are useful and valuable to the CITES Parties and the wider CITES stakeholder community. These documents are available in PDF format on the Internet in both English and Spanish, as follows:
 - a) *Survey of Status, Trade, and Exploitation of Central American Iguanas* (trade study in English):
<http://www.caftadr-environment.org/outreach/publications/IIF%20-%20Iguana%20Survey%20and%20Status%20Report-English.pdf>
 - b) *Evaluación del Estado, Comercio y Explotación de las Iguanas de CentroAmérica* (trade study in Spanish):
<http://www.caftadr-environment.org/spanish/outreach/publications/IIF%20-%20Iguana%20Survey%20and%20Status%20Report-Spanish.pdf>
 - c) Bilingual photographic identification guide:
[http://www.caftadr-environment.org/spanish/outreach/publications/IRCF%20Iguana%20ID%20Guide%20\(Spanish\).pdf](http://www.caftadr-environment.org/spanish/outreach/publications/IRCF%20Iguana%20ID%20Guide%20(Spanish).pdf)
4. Additional information on the CAFTA-DR Environmental Agreement and its achievements is available at:
<http://www.caftadr-environment.org/index.htm> (English version), and
<http://www.caftadr-environment.org/spanish/index.htm> (Spanish version).

This website contains a full list of publications under this CAFTA-DR Environmental Cooperation Agreement programme.

Additional information on the U.S. Department of the Interior ITAP programme is available at:

<http://www.doi.gov/intl/itap/index.cfm> (English only)

5. The United States is grateful to the sponsors of the reports for their generous funding, the authors for their efforts, and the CITES Authorities of the region for their input.