

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



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PRE-CONVENTION STOCKS OF PERNAMBUCO TIMBER
AND RED SANDALWOOD POWDER IN SWITZERLAND

1. This document has been submitted by the Management Authorities of Switzerland and Liechtenstein.

Background

2. Amendments of Appendix II adopted by the Conference of the Parties at its 14th meeting (The Hague, 2007), *inter alia* lead to inclusion of certain parts and derivatives of plant species, with effect from 13 September 2007, as follows:

Pterocarpus santalinus: Powder and extracts;

Caesalpinia echinata: Logs, sawn wood, veneer sheets, including unfinished wood articles used for the fabrication of bows for stringed musical instruments.

Inventory of pre-Convention stocks

3. The Management Authority of Switzerland and Liechtenstein communicated these changes to stakeholders and offered the possibility to register stocks prior to 13 September 2007 in the CITES database as pre-Convention stocks. The following stocks were inspected and registered:

Pterocarpus santalinus, powder: 18'605 kg (one company);

see document PC17 Doc. 8.4, Annex 5;

Caesalpinia echinata, unfinished wood articles used for the fabrication of bows for stringed musical instruments: 25,134.53 kg (five companies).