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

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Transport of live animals

DISTRIBUTION OF THE CURRENT IATA LIVE ANIMALS REGULATIONS

1. This document has been prepared by the Secretariat.

2. Resolution Conf. 10.21 (Rev. CoP14) on Transport of live specimens directs the Animals and Plants Committees to deal with matters related to the transport of live specimens.

3. At its 14th meeting (The Hague, 2008), the Conference of the Parties gave a number of instructions to the Animals Committee in relation to the transport of live animals (Decision 14.59).

4. At the request of the Animals Committee at its 23rd meeting (Geneva, April 2008), the Secretariat issued a Notification inviting Parties interested in receiving a current IATA Live Animals Regulations and CD-ROM to indicate their interest by the end of October 2008, to facilitate the Transport Working Group’s (TWG) assessment of the level of interest and funds that would be required to meet the demand. The TWG would consider possible sources of funds to facilitate Parties’ access to these materials.

5. The Secretariat received requests from the following Parties and territories: Australia, Chad, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ghana, the Isle of Man, Mauritania, New Zealand, Niger, Rwanda, Singapore, South Africa, Tunisia and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

6. In November 2008, the Secretariat sent copies of the current IATA Live Animals Regulations on multilingual CD-ROM to all Parties that had indicated their interest. The Secretariat is grateful to IATA for providing free copies.

7. The Committee is invited to note this document.