

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



Twenty-seventh meeting of the Animals Committee
Veracruz (Mexico), 28 April – 3 May 2014

Interpretation and implementation of the Convention

Species trade and conservation

STURGEONS AND PADDLEFISH [RESOLUTION CONF. 12.7 (REV. COP16)]
(Agenda item 21)

Membership (as decided by the Committee)

Chair: representative of Europe (Mr Lörtscher);

Parties: Australia, Canada, China, France, Germany, Japan, Poland, Republic of Korea and United States of America; and

IGOs and NGOs: Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, ITC, IUCN, Association of Northeast Fish and Wildlife Agencies, International Caviar Association, TRAFFIC International and WWF.

Mandate

1. Identify key challenges and needs in order for the Committee to implement its mandates under Resolution Conf. 12.7 (Rev. CoP16), including any resources required to address those needs.
2. Review the requirements of Resolution Conf. 12.7 (Rev. CoP16) in the light of changes in trade, taking into account the issues raised in document AC27 Doc. 21.3, and provide advice on the revision of Resolution Conf. 12.7 (Rev. CoP16) that may be required.
3. In doing so, identify aspects which may require input or consideration from the Standing Committee, particularly in relation to administrative and compliance matters.

Recommendations

1. In light of the lack of response of range states to the reporting requirements under Resolution Conf. 12.7, in order for the AC to be able to fulfil its mandate, the AC encourages the SC to consider ways to improve the reporting of the range states.
2. In doing so the SC should amongst others consider the following aspects: possible impacts on wild populations of increasing trends of aquaculture facilities, including in range states, and potential IUU activities.

3. Concerning document AC27 Doc. 21.3 Annex, submitted by Germany, the AC would ask the SC to consider the document and make appropriate recommendations to COP17.