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OF WILD FAUNA AND FLORA



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QUOTAS FOR LEOPARD HUNTING TROPHIES

Membership (as decided by the Committee)

Co-Chairs: the Chair of the Animals Committee (Mr. Lörtscher) and the representative of Africa (Mr. Kasoma);

Members: the representative of Africa (Mr. Mensah);

Parties: Austria, Belgium, Canada, France, Germany, Hungary, Mozambique, Namibia, Norway, Russian Federation, South Africa, Spain, Switzerland, Uganda, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America and Zimbabwe; and

IGOs and NGOs: International Council for Game and Wildlife Conservation, IUCN, Animal Welfare Institute, Born Free USA, Center for Biological Diversity, Conservation Force, Environmental Investigation Agency UK, Humane Society International, International Fund for Animal Welfare (IFAW), International Professional Hunters Association, IWMC – World Conservation Trust, ProWildlife, Safari Club International Foundation, FACE, TRAFFIC, Wildlife Conservation Society, World Wildlife Fund, Zoological Society of London and Zoological Society of San Diego.

Mandate

Pursuant to Decision 17.115, the in-session working group shall, based on document AC30 Doc. 15 and its annexes, document AC30 Doc. 10.2, and other relevant information, including in information documents, undertake the following:

- a) review the information submitted by the leopard range States concerned by Decision 17.114, and other relevant information;
- b) if necessary, draft recommendations to the Standing Committee for consideration at its 70th meeting; and
- c) if necessary, draft recommendations to the leopard range States with quotas established under Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16).

Recommendations

The WG recommends to the Animals Committee to:

- a) commend all Parties having submitted information on the review of their respective leopard hunting quotas under Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16).

- b) note the various ways in which those parties have implemented monitoring and adaptive management systems to ensure that the offtake of leopards is sustainable and does not pose a threat to the survival of the species.
- c) encourage that these systems and methodologies be shared among leopard range States in order that lessons learned and success stories can be multiplied and put to use in all range states concerned.
- d) invites the Secretariat to liaise with the countries that have not sent in the reviews for the consideration of the Animals Committee and urge them to submit information as requested in Decision 17.114 in time for consideration by the Standing Committee by 2 August 2018.
- e) recommends that upcoming meetings dealing with the conservation of leopards, among other species, provide an opportunity for discussion and lessons learned on monitoring of populations of leopards (for instance, the meeting of the CMS/CITES African Carnivores Initiative, and, if held, the upcoming meeting in Africa on non-detriment findings for sport-hunted trophies).
- f) requests the Standing Committee to consider establishing a process to review and if necessary revise, quotas for Appendix I species which have been established by the Conference of the Parties in accordance with Resolution Conf. 9.21 (Rev. CoP13) on Interpretation and application of quotas for species included in Appendix I, such as those for leopards in Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16).

Kenya

The working group recommends that the Animals Committee informs the Standing Committee that Kenya wishes its quota to be removed from Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16).

Malawi

The working group recommends that the Animals Committee informs the Standing Committee that Malawi wishes its quota be removed from Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16).

Botswana

No document was received from Botswana. The working group recommends that the Animals Committee informs the Standing Committee that no review has been received from Botswana. It was therefore not able to determine if the quotas for Leopards for this country, as mentioned in Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16), are set at levels which are non-detrimental to the survival of the species in the wild.

Ethiopia

No document was received from Ethiopia. The working group recommends that the Animals Committee informs the Standing Committee that no review has been received from Ethiopia. It was therefore not able to determine if the quotas for Leopards for this country, as mentioned in Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16), are set at levels which are non-detrimental to the survival of the species in the wild.

Central African Republic

No document was received from the Central African Republic. The working group recommends that the Animals Committee informs the Standing Committee that no review has been received from the Central African Republic. It was therefore not able to determine if the quotas for Leopards for this country, as mentioned in Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16), are set at levels which are non-detrimental to the survival of the species in the wild.

Mozambique

The WG recommends to the Animals Committee to inform the Standing Committee that it considers that the quotas for Leopards for Mozambique, as mentioned in Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16), are set at levels which are non-detrimental to the survival of the species in the wild.

Namibia

The WG recommends to the Animals Committee to inform the Standing Committee that it considers that the quotas for Leopards for Namibia, as mentioned in Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16), are set at levels which are non-detrimental to the survival of the species in the wild.

South Africa

The WG recommends to the Animals Committee to inform the Standing Committee that it considers that the quotas for Leopards for South Africa, as mentioned in Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16), are set at levels which are non-detrimental to the survival of the species in the wild.

United Republic of Tanzania

The WG recommends to the Animals Committee to inform the Standing Committee that it considers that the quotas for Leopards for the United Republic of Tanzania, as mentioned in Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16), are set at levels which are non-detrimental to the survival of the species in the wild.

Zambia

The WG recommends to the Animals Committee to inform the Standing Committee that it considers that the quotas for Leopards for Zambia, as mentioned in Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16), are set at levels which are non-detrimental to the survival of the species in the wild.

Uganda

The WG recommends to the Animals Committee to inform the Standing Committee that it considers that the quotas for Leopards for Uganda, as mentioned in Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16), are set at levels which are non-detrimental to the survival of the species in the wild.

Zimbabwe

The WG recommends to the Animals Committee to inform the Standing Committee that it considers that the quotas for Leopards for Zimbabwe, as mentioned in Resolution Conf. 10.14 (Rev. CoP16), are set at levels which are non-detrimental to the survival of the species in the wild.