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¹ Significant trade has been defined as 100 units per annum (see introduction)

Introduction

The following outputs, produced for review by the CITES Plants Committee, have been prepared by the UNEP World Conservation Monitoring Centre in accordance with **Decision 11.117 of the Conference of the Parties**.

There are two types of output per section, the first gives the total net trade in each taxa for the years 1995-1999. On the left of the species name an asterisk has been generated where the annual average trade of the species is greater than or equal to the "safe" level decided by the Plants Committee. In this instance, an annual average trade of 100 was chosen as the "safe" level.

The second output contains a breakdown of the countries of export/re-export, and net export figures, for species where the average annual net trade was 100.

The programme that highlights species where the trade is greater than or equal to a specified number is user-defined, i.e., the 'critical' number selected for these outputs was 100, but any number can be used.

The queries created on the UNEP-WCMC CITES Trade Database to produce the outputs for this review specified that only the species where the reported origin was wild, unknown or unrecorded would be selected.

For each section the most representative commodities were chosen. These are as follows.

CACTACEAE	live, seeds, timber ¹
CYCADACEAE	dried plants, leaves, live, roots, seeds, stems
Other plants	bark, carvings, chips, derivatives, dried plants, extract, fibres, flower pots, leaves, live, logs, oil, powder, roots, sawn wood, seeds, stems, timber ² , timber pieces, veneer

- 1 The commodity defined as timber for Cactaceae includes trade reported as carvings, dried plants, stems, timber carvings, timber pieces and timber.
- 2 The commodity defined as timber for other plants includes only trade reported as timber.

Trade reported in pounds, tons or grammes has been converted to kilogrammes; similarly trade reported in centimetres or feet has been converted to metres and trade reported in square feet or square decimetres to square metres. Trade reported in bags, bottles, cartons or cases has been converted to boxes.

The main report has been limited to Appendix-II species. For trade reported at higher taxonomic levels where there is a split listing only trade in Appendix-II specimens has been included.

Taxa listed on Appendix II during part or all of the relevant period, 1995-1999, but no longer listed on Appendix II have not been included in the analysis. Where taxa moved from Appendix I or III to Appendix II during the period 1995-1999, all trade that was reported during the entire period has been included. Where taxa were introduced to CITES during this period the average annual trade has been calculated using only those years for which the taxa were listed.