

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



Twentieth meeting of the Plants Committee
Dublin (Ireland), 22-30 March 2012

NOMENCLATURE MATTERS
(Agenda item 20)

Membership (as decided by the Committee)

Chair:	The PC nomenclature specialist (Mr McGough)
Members:	Representatives from Africa (Mr Hafashimana) and Asia (Mr Partomihardjo)
Parties:	India, the Netherlands, South Africa and the United States of America
NGO:	Greenwood International

Mandate

1. Identify mechanisms that may be available to support the completion of outstanding revisions of key plant checklists;
2. Consider whether it is useful to bring together all available information on the taxonomy and nomenclature of *Dalbergia* spp. and *Diospyros* spp.;
3. Express a view on the status and use of the name "*Aloe capensis*"; and
4. Consider other nomenclature matters referred to the Committee by Parties and the Secretariat.

Recommendations

1. That Parties encourage their scientific institutions and taxonomic experts to work with the Plants Committee to complete outstanding revisions of key plant checklists and where possible provide funding to facilitate this process;
2. That the Plants Committee, in co-operation with relevant national and international experts and institutions, compile a working list of names of species of Malagasy *Dalbergia* spp. and *Diospyros* spp. that might form the basis for a future checklist;
3. That "*Aloe capensis*" is a vernacular name applied to the dried leaf exudates of *Aloe ferox* that sometimes may be applied to other aloe species. It is not a valid taxonomic name;
4. That the wording "*and its updates accepted by the Plants Committee*" in Resolution Conf. 12.11 (Rev. CoP15) is redundant and should be deleted;
5. That, in relation to Decision 15.63, the Plants Committee is not aware of any cases where additional higher order listings could be recommended for flora that would not alter the scope of the current species' listings, no action is required, and that task is therefore concluded;

6. Appendix III currently includes the listing *Diospyros crassiflorides* (*Diospyros crassiflora*) this is incorrect, the name should be referenced as *Diospyros macphersonii* G. E. Schatz & Lowry (*Diospyros crassiflora* H. Perrier), Madagascar will inform the Secretariat in writing of this change;
7. That in the revision of the CITES Cactus Checklist range States should review their flora references in light of *The New Cactus Lexicon* so that due consideration can be taken of the views of experts from the relevant range States;
8. That the Plants Committee update the CITES Checklist which outlines the succulent species of Euphorbia regulated by the Convention.