CITES PROJECT PROPOSAL

1. Title

Study of the distribution and the population of amphibian species of the genus *Mantella* traded from Madagascar on which to base a management plan.

2. Date of submission

June 1998

3. Author of the proposal

CITES Management Authority of Madagascar

4. Project duration

12 months

5. Financial contribution

USD 46 705

6. Summary

Renown for its biological resources, Madagascar has established an Environmental Action Plan (EAP) to ensure sound management of its heritage. This plan is currently in phase two, with the main goal of "the reconciliation of man with the environment."

As set out in the EAP, the strategic policy adopted for using natural resources calls for strengthening protection and the management of protected natural forests, especially those bordering nature reserves. Rich in biodiversity, these forests are natural buffers around the reserves of important economic value whose sustainable management requires the rational association of conservation of natural resources and sustainable development.

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Salaries: Project director (locally recruited, 2 man/months) Herpetologists (locally recruited, 14 man/months) Assistant herpetologist (locally recruited, 28 man/months) Sociologist/economist (locally recruited, 28 man/months) Botanist (locally recruited, 6 man/months) Secretary (locally recruited, 1 man/months)	
Travel and <i>Per diem</i> : Air travel Ground transportation (rental/taxi/bus) <i>Per diem</i>	24 000 6 000 8 000 10 000
Equipment: Camping material Scientific material	2 200 1 100 1 100
Miscellaneous: Communication Preparation of reports Office supplies	2 800 1 000 1 000 800
Subtotal	40 200
Overhead (5per cent)	2 305
TOTAL	42 505