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

Forty-second meeting of the Standing Committee
Lisbon (Portugal), 28 September-1 October 1999

Implementation of the Convention in individual countries

IMPORT AND EXPORT CONTROLS

1. At the 41st meeting of the Standing Committee (Geneva, February 1999), the Secretariat submitted document Doc. SC.41.14.1 in which it made observations relating to Customs procedures. This matter was deferred to the 42nd meeting of the Standing Committee and the Secretariat was directed to consult the Parties and Customs specialists on the subject.

2. The Secretariat has distributed a Notification to the Parties seeking suggestions as to ways in which border controls could be adapted in some places to take account of current practices and those planned for the future.

3. The Secretariat has also written to the World Customs Organization seeking its co-operation.

4. The Secretariat has been unable to make sufficient progress in relation to this subject to prepare substantive information for the 42nd meeting of the Standing Committee and recommends that the matter be deferred for discussion after the 11th meeting of the Conference of the Parties.