

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

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

Implementation of the Convention in individual countries

IMPLEMENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

1. Decision 10.120 of the Conference of the Parties states that:

*The Secretariat shall:*

- a) *prepare for the Parties, during the period up to the 11th meeting of the Conference of the Parties, a list of Resolutions in effect, in order to be able to assess their level of implementation in their countries and to determine the difficulties encountered to implement them; and*
  - b) *report at the 11th meeting of the Conference of the Parties on the results of these analyses.*
2. The Secretariat prepared a document containing all of the Resolutions of the Conference of the Parties that remain in effect after the 10th meeting and this was distributed with Notification to the Parties No. 987 of 13 October 1997.
  3. In order to prepare the report referred to in paragraph b) of Decision 10.120, the Secretariat will send a Notification to the Parties requesting information on the implementation of the Resolutions in effect.
  4. The Secretariat is aware of some work that has already been done to list the measures taken to implement Resolutions. For example, the report of the regional representative of Oceania at the 37th meeting of the Standing Committee contained a contribution from Australia with an exemplarily concise remark on Australia's implementation of each of the Resolutions adopted at the ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties. In addition, the European Commission produced a document that lists the provisions to be implemented in the current Resolutions from the first nine meetings of the Conference of the Parties (as well as the provisions in the text of the Convention), with a comment on the measures taken at European Union level. A copy is annexed to the present document for information only.
  5. Decision 10.120 arose out of a discussion, by the Conference of the Parties, of the Secretariat's review of alleged infractions and other problems of implementation of the Convention. It was agreed that, in future, non-compliance with Resolutions is to be dealt with separately from infractions of the Convention (see Decision 10.122). The Secretariat will produce its reports on alleged infractions accordingly.
  6. Decision 10.120 will be out of date after the 11th meeting of the Conference of the Parties and will then be deleted (in accordance with Decision 10.114). However, the information obtained by the Secretariat should be updated after each meeting of the Conference of the Parties. Consequently, the Secretariat recommends that regional representatives in the Standing Committee include in their regular reports to the Committee information on the measures taken by Parties in their region to implement newly adopted Resolutions and on any problems encountered in implementing the current Resolutions.

