

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



Sixty-fifth meeting of the Standing Committee
Geneva (Switzerland), 7-11 July 2014

SUMMARY

MORNING

Regarding document SC65 Sum. 3, the Committee agreed to the following amendments:

- Under item 22, a new second sentence is added as follows:

The Secretariat was requested to identify the Parties that had not yet updated their legislation to take account of the amendments to the Appendices adopted at the 16th meeting of the Conference of the Parties, to encourage them to explore ways of accelerating the updating of the legislation after such a meeting.

- Under item 23, the word intersessionally is inserted at the end of the paragraph.

- Under item 38, the following sentence is added:

The members of the working group are China, India, Malaysia, Thailand, Viet Nam, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the United States of America (Chair), the European Union, Asiacat, Born Free, Environmental Investigation Agency, IUCN, TRAFFIC, Wildlife Conservation Society, Wildlife Protection Society of India, and WWF.

With these amendments, the executive summary of the third session, in document SC65 Sum. 3 was adopted.

The executive summary of the fourth session, in document SC65 Sum. 4 was adopted without amendment.

27.2 Disposal of illegally-traded and confiscated specimens
of Appendix-I, -II and -III species..... SC65 Doc. 27.2

The Committee agreed to establish a working group chaired by Switzerland and with the following members: Canada, Côte d'Ivoire, China, India, Indonesia, Kuwait, Mexico, New Zealand, Niger, Peru, the Philippines, Portugal, South Africa, the United Republic of Tanzania, the United States of America, IUCN, IFAW, Lewis and Clark College, the Pan African Sanctuary Alliance, Safari Club International and Species Survival Network. The Committee further agreed that the terms of reference for the working group would be those found in Decision 16.47 and that the group would also take into account the related document prepared by Indonesia, document SC65 Inf. 26.

39. Illegal trade in cheetahs (*Acinonyx jubatus*).....SC65 Doc. 39 (Rev. 2)

The Committee noted document SC65 Doc. 39 (Rev. 2) and the oral updates provided by the Secretariat and by the Chair of the Animals Committee on Annex 3 of that document. The Committee established an intersessional working group on illegal trade in cheetahs, which would also meet in-session to develop terms of reference for its intersessional work, including consideration of the organization of a workshop, as recommended in paragraph 3 by the Animals Committee. The working group comprises Bahrain, Botswana, Kenya, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Uganda, United Arab Emirates, Zimbabwe, Born Free Foundation, IUCN, International Fund for Animal Welfare, Species Survival Network, Wildlife Conservation Society, WWF, and the Zoological Society of London.

28. Introduction from the sea.....SC65 Doc. 28

The Committee noted the document as well as the oral report of the Secretariat and requested the Secretariat to issue a Notification inviting Parties, where relevant, to provide the information on chartering which is anticipated under Resolution Conf.14.6 (Rev. CoP16), Decision 16.48 and paragraph 12 of the discussion document.

29. Electronic permitting SC65 Doc. 29

The Committee noted document SC65 Doc. 29 and the oral report of Switzerland, as Chair of the Working Group on Information Technologies and Electronic Systems, regarding the meeting of the Working Group during SC65. The Committee also noted the offer by Colombia to organize a meeting between France and Switzerland and Member Countries of the Amazon Cooperation Treaty Organization on CITES e-permitting systems.

30. Transport of live specimens.....SC65 Doc. 30

The Committee noted the document and the oral report of the Secretariat.

9. Financial matters

The Committee noted the report of the Chair of the Finance and Budget Subcommittee in document FBSC/SC65 Doc. 1. The Committee also adopted all the recommendations in the document presented by the subcommittee for its consideration.

34. Implementation of the Convention relating to captive-bred and ranched specimens

34.1 Report of the Secretariat SC65 Doc. 34.1

The Committee noted document SC65 Doc. 34.1 and that the Secretariat will prepare the report on its findings and recommendations referred to in sub-paragraph a) vi) of Decision 16.63. The Committee endorsed the recommendation in paragraph 10.

34.2 Report of the Animals Committee SC65 Doc. 34.2

The Committee noted document SC65 Doc. 34.2 and endorsed the conclusions of the 27th meeting of the Animals Committee.

35. Registration of operations that breed Appendix-I animal species in captivity for commercial purposes SC65 Doc. 35

The Philippines and the United States were requested to consult bilaterally and to report the results of their discussions at the beginning of the following session.

44. Snake trade and conservation management..... SC65 Doc. 44

The Committee noted document AC65 Doc. 44 and the oral report of the Secretariat and the Chair (Switzerland) of the Standing Committee Working Group on snake trade and conservation management.

The Committee endorsed the recommendations in paragraph 23, e) of document SC65 Doc. 44, acknowledging that the Working Group would consider the other recommendations in that paragraph intersessionally for reporting at SC66.