

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

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

AFTERNOON

45. Tortoises and freshwater turtles SC65 Doc. 45

The Committee noted the document and the oral report of the Secretariat, and urged Parties to consider, as a matter of priority, providing resources to the Secretariat for the implementation of Decisions 16.119, paragraph b), and 16.122, paragraphs a) and b).

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

By a vote of six votes in favour, and one against, with eight abstentions, the Committee agreed to the inclusion in the Register of captive breeding operations of Hyacinth Macaw Aviary Inc, in the United States of America, for the breeding of *Anodorhynchus hyacinthinus*.

46. Sharks and rays..... SC65 Doc. 46

The Committee established a working group, chaired by Colombia with the mandate indicated in subparagraphs 4.o) and p). The members are Australia, China, Colombia, Côte d'Ivoire, Germany, Japan, Mexico, New Zealand, Portugal, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States, European Union, CMS, UNEP-WCMC, Defenders of Wildlife, Humane Society International, International Fund for Animal Welfare, IUCN, Pew Charitable Trusts, Species Survival Network, TRAFFIC, Wildlife Conservation Society, and WWF.

47. Sturgeons and paddlefish: Report of the Animals Committee SC65 Doc. 47

The Committee encouraged affected range States to make available to the Animals Committee the information on assessment and monitoring methodologies used for stocks of sturgeons and paddlefish subject to the provisions under “RECOMMENDS further”, paragraph a) of Resolution Conf. 12.7 (Rev. CoP16).

The Committee established an intersessional working group to review Resolution Conf. 12.7 (Rev. CoP16), taking account of the proposals by Germany in the Annex to document SC65 Doc. 47 and the comments made during the debate and to report at the 66th meeting of the Standing Committee (SC66).

The Committee agreed on the composition of the intersessional working group as follows: China, France, Germany (Chair), Italy, Japan, Poland, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Switzerland, Ukraine, United States of America, International Caviar Importers Association, IWMC – World Conservation Trust and UNEP-WCMC, and a representative of the State fisheries resources authorities of the United States (Secretariat to be notified).

31. Physical inspection of timber shipments..... SC65 Doc. 31
- The Committee noted the document and the oral report of the Secretariat and agreed that the Secretariat should issue a Notification to solicit more information from Parties on tools and procedures they have developed for the identification and measurement of CITES-listed tree species and the physical inspection of timber shipments.
32. Identification manual..... SC65 Doc. 32
- The Committee noted the document.
33. Inclusion of CITES-listed species in the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System..... SC65 Doc. 32
- The Committee noted the document.
19. CITES and livelihoods SC65 Doc. 19
- The Committee noted the document and the oral report of the Secretariat and agreed to re-establish the working group on CITES and livelihoods with the mandate provided in Decision 16.20, which would be chaired by Peru with the following members: Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bolivia, Botswana, Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Guatemala, Indonesia, Kenya, South Africa, the United States of America, Zimbabwe, ITC, UNCTAD, UNEP-WCMC, IUCN, Conservation Force, IFAW, IWMC – World Conservation Trust, Pro-Wildlife, RESP, Safari Club International Foundation, Species Survival Network and TRAFFIC.
36. Bushmeat..... SC65 Doc. 36
- The Committee noted the document and the oral report of the Secretariat and agreed to establish a working group with the mandate provided in Decision 16.149, which would be chaired by the Chair of the Animals Committee with the following members: the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the United States of America, the AC representatives of Africa (Mr Kasiki), Asia (Mr Soemorumekso) and Europe (Mr Loertscher), UNEP-WCMC, IUCN, Pan-African Sanctuary Alliance, Species Survival Network, TRAFFIC and the Zoological Society of London.
37. Great apes SC65 Doc. 37
- The Committee noted the document and the oral report of the Secretariat and agreed to the recommendations in paragraph 22 of document SC65 Doc. 37.
40. Saiga antelope..... SC65 Doc. 40 (Rev. 1)
- The Committee noted the document and the oral report of the Secretariat. It agreed to the recommendation in subparagraph 13.b) of document SC65 Doc. 40, and requested the Secretariat to issue a Notification to the Parties to seek the information mentioned therein.
41. Tibetan antelope SC65 Doc. 41 (Rev. 1)
- The Committee noted the document and the oral report of the Secretariat and agreed to the recommendations in subparagraphs 10.a) to c) of document SC65 Doc. 41 (Rev. 1).