

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



Sixty-sixth meeting of the Standing Committee
Geneva (Switzerland), 11-15 January 2016

AGENDA
(provisional)

1. Opening remarks of the Chair *(No document)*
2. Opening remarks of the Secretary-General *(No document)*

Administrative and financial matters

Procedural matters

3. Agenda.....
4. Working programme.....
5. Rules of Procedure of the Standing Committee
 - 5.1 Adoption of the Rules of Procedure.....
 - 5.2 Proposed process to review the Rules of Procedure of CITES bodies.....
6. Credentials..... *(No document)*
7. Admission of observers.....
8. Potential conflicts of interest in the Animals and Plants Committees.....

Administration and finance

9. Administration of the Secretariat
 - 9.1 Report of UNEP on administrative matters.....
 - 9.2 Report of the Secretariat on administrative matters.....
 - 9.3 Report of the Working group on options for administrative hosting arrangements for the CITES Secretariat.....
10. Financial matters
 - 10.1 Financial reports for 2014 and 2015
 - Annex 1: Financial report on costed programme of work for the CITES Secretariat for 2014.....
 - Annex 2: Financial report on costed programme of work for the CITES Secretariat for 2015 as of 31 October 2015.....
 - Annex 3: CITES Trust Fund status of contributions as of 31 October 2015.....
 - Annex 4: CITES Trust Fund annual contributions received in 2014 and 2015 for each month (cumulative) as of 31 October 2015.....
 - Annex 5: CITES Trust Fund annual distribution of the unpaid contributions as of 31 October 2015.....
 - Annex 6: Statement of income and expenditures for CTL for 2014.....
 - 10.2 Report on proposed budget scenarios for 2017-2019.....

- 10.3 Report of the Finance and budget sub-committee (and its Working group on Access to finance, including GEF funding and innovative mechanisms)..... (No document)
- 10.4 Wildlife Donor Roundtable.....
- 11. Organization of special meetings.....

Meetings of the Conference of the Parties

- 12. Arrangements for the 17th meeting of the Conference of the Parties (CoP17)
 - 12.1 Preparation for CoP17..... (No document)
 - 12.2 Draft agenda.....
 - 12.3 Draft working programme.....
 - 12.4 Rules of Procedure.....
 - 12.5 Guidance on the submission of credentials:
Report of the working group.....
 - 12.6 Selection of nominees for chairmanship of the committees (No document)
 - 12.7 Sponsored Delegates Project.....

Strategic matters

- 13. United Nations General Assembly resolutions on Tackling illicit trafficking in wildlife and Sustainable Development Goals.....
- 14. Implementation of the CITES Strategic Vision: 2008-2020.....
- 15. World Wildlife Day
 - 15.1 Report of the Secretariat on World Wildlife Day 2015.....
 - 15.2 Celebration of World Wildlife Day: Report of the working group..... (No document)
- 16. Cooperation with other organizations
 - 16.1 Overview of cooperation with other organizations..... (No document)
 - 16.2 Options to strengthen cooperation, collaboration and synergies between CITES and the other biodiversity-related conventions.....
 - 16.3 Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations:
Report of the working group.....
 - 16.4 Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystems Services: Report of the working group.....
 - 16.5 International Consortium on Combating Wildlife Crime.....
- 17. Cooperation between Parties and promotion of multilateral measures:
Report of the working group.....
- 18. CITES and livelihoods: Report of the working group.....
- 19. Wildlife trade policy reviews.....
- 20. Capacity-building
 - 20.1 Proposal for consolidating resolutions and decisions on capacity-building.....
 - 20.2 Needs assessment for strengthening the implementation of CITES:
Report of the working group.....
- 21. Report of the Chair of the Plants Committee.....

Interpretation and implementation of the Convention

Review of Resolutions

- 22. Report of the Secretariat.....

Amendment of the Appendices

- 23. Extinct or possibly extinct species.....

24.	Periodic review of the Appendices	
25.	Annotations: Report of the working group	
<u>Compliance and enforcement</u>		
26.	National laws for implementation of the Convention	
26.1	Report of the Secretariat and decisions to be taken by the Standing Committee.....	
27.	Exports and imports of CITES specimens subject to national decisions	
28.	Application of Article XIII.....	
29.	National Ivory Action Plans process	
30.	National reports	
30.1	Submission of national reports.....	
30.2	Special reporting requirements: Report of the working group	
30.3	Reporting on trade in artificially propagated plants and harmonization of reporting.....	
31.	Review of Significant Trade in specimens of Appendix-II species	
31.1	Implementation of recommendations of the Animals and Plants Committees.....	
31.2	Review of Standing Committee recommendations to suspend trade made more than two years ago	
31.3	Evaluation of the Review of Significant Trade: Report of the Animals and Plants Committees.....	
32.	Enforcement matters	
32.1	Report of the Secretariat	
32.2	Disposal of illegally traded and confiscated specimens of Appendix-I, -II and -III species: Report of the working group.....	
32.3	Implementation and enforcement of the Convention as it relates to the trade in species listed in Appendix I: Report of the working group.....	
32.4	Illegal trade in Bahamian Rock Iguanas (<i>Cyclura rileyi</i>): Report of the contact group.....	
32.5	Illegal trade in cheetahs (<i>Acinonyx jubatus</i>): Report of the working group	
<u>Trade control and traceability</u>		
33.	Introduction from the sea: chartering	
34.	Traceability	
34.1	Overview by the Secretariat	
34.2	Socio-economic considerations in the development of a global traceability information system for reptile skins.....	
35.	Electronic permitting: Report of the working group	
36.	Use of taxonomic serial numbers.....	
37.	Purpose-of-transaction codes on CITES permits and certificates: Report of the working group.....	
38.	Physical inspection of timber shipments.....	
39.	Inclusion of CITES-listed species in the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System	
40.	Quotas for leopard hunting trophies and skins for personal use	
<u>Exemptions and special trade provisions</u>		
41.	Implementation of the Convention relating to captive-bred and ranched specimens	

41.1	Report of the Secretariat	
41.2	Report of the Animals Committee	
42.	Registration of operations that breed Appendix-I animal species in captivity for commercial purposes	
42.1	Registration of facility A-US-524 (Hyacinth Macaw Aviary, Inc.) for hyacinth macaw (<i>Anodorhynchus hyacinthinus</i>)	
42.2	Registration of the operation "Nouvelle découverte" breeding <i>Astrochelys radiata</i>	
<u>Species trade and conservation</u>		
43.	African teak (<i>Pericopsis elata</i>)	
44.	Asian big cats (Felidae spp.)	
44.1	Report of the Secretariat	
44.2	Report of the working group	
45.	Bushmeat: Report of the working group	
46.	Ebonies (<i>Diospyros</i> spp.) and rosewoods and palisanders (<i>Dalbergia</i> spp.) from Madagascar	
46.1	Report of the Secretariat	
46.2	Report of Madagascar	
47.	Elephants (Elephantidae spp.)	
47.1	Elephant conservation, illegal killing and ivory trade	
47.2	Report of the MIKE and ETIS Subgroup	(No document)
47.3	Disposal of ivory stocks: the growth of ivory destructions	
47.4	Decision-making mechanism for authorizing ivory trade	
47.4.1	Report of the Secretariat	
47.4.2	Proposal by Benin, Burkina Faso, Ethiopia and Kenya	
47.5	Review of Resolution Conf. 10.9 on <i>Consideration of proposals for the transfer of African elephant populations from Appendix I to Appendix II</i> : Report of the working group	(No document)
47.6	Update on the Elephant Protection Initiative	
48.	Great apes (Hominidae spp.)	
48.1	Report of the Secretariat	
48.2	Revision of Resolution Conf. 13.4 (Rev. CoP16) on <i>Conservation of and trade in great apes</i>	
49.	Humphead wrasse (<i>Cheilinus undulatus</i>)	
50.	Pangolins (Manidae spp.)	
50.1	Report of the working group	
50.2	Report of the First Pangolin Range States Meeting	
51.	Rhinoceroses (Rhinocerotidae spp.)	
51.1	Report of the Secretariat	
51.2	Report of the working group	
52.	Saiga antelope (<i>Saiga</i> spp.)	
53.	Sharks and rays	
53.1	Report of the Secretariat and of the Animals Committee	
53.2	Report of the working group	
54.	Snake trade and conservation management	

- 54.1 Report of the Secretariat and of the Animals Committee
- 54.2 Report of the working group
- 55. Sturgeons and paddlefish (*Acipenseriformes* spp.)
 - 55.1 Report of the working group
 - 55.2 Report of the Animals Committee
- 56. Tibetan antelope (*Pantholops hodgsonii*)
- 57. Tortoises and freshwater turtles
 - 57.1 Report of the Secretariat
 - 57.2 Report of the Animals Committee
- 58. Totoaba (*Totoaba macdonaldi*):
Opportunities for international collaboration within the CITES framework

Regional matters

- 59. Reports of regional representatives
 - 59.1 Africa
 - 59.2 Asia
 - 59.3 Central and South America and the Caribbean
 - 59.4 Europe
 - 59.5 North America
 - 59.6 Oceania

Concluding items

- 60. Any other business
- 61. Determination of the time and venue of the 67th meeting (No document)
- 62. Closing remarks (No document)
 - 62.1 Observers
 - Organizations
 - Non-party States
 - Parties
 - 62.2 Standing Committee
 - 62.3 Secretary-General
 - 62.4 Chair