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**Sub: Further implementation of China's NIAP after SC66**

Dear Dr. D.J. Schubert,

According to the SC66 Com 1 document "National Ivory Action Plans Process", since ", "The Secretariat recommends that the Standing Committee: Commend China (including Hong Kong SAR), for substantially achieving their NIAPs, and ii) Encourage these Parties to report on any further measures taken to implement their NIAPs and, if appropriate, any other initiatives or policy developments to combat elephant poaching and illegal ivory trade, to the Secretariat by 30 June 2016, so that the Secretariat can make the reports available to the Standing Committee at SC67. "

We hereby report on the further measures taken to implement China's NIAPs as fellow.

1 As a step forward aiming to demand reduction and the conservation of elephant species, the Chinese government decides to take more strict management measures of the international trade in ivory. On 20th, March, 2016, the State Forestry Administration published Bulletin No. 3, 2016, which stated that the import of tusks and ivory carvings of Elephant (Elephantidae spp.) in the following forms will be suspended from March 20th, 2016 to December 31st, 2019. a. The pre-Convention tusks from Elephant and its product; b. Ivory carvings of African Elephant gained after the Convention entered into force; c. Tusks as hunting trophy obtained in Africa. However, the import of tusks and its product for non-commercial purposes, such as cultural relics, scientific research or education, cultural exchange, public exhibition and law enforcement or judiciary are not included in the suspension. During this period, the State Forestry Administration will not accept any application of the

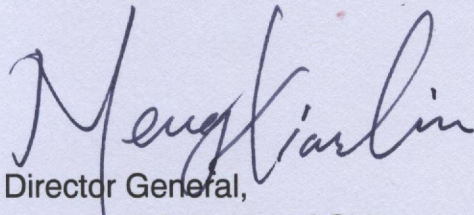


importation of the above-mentioned tusks and its products.

2 The new version of "Law of the People's Republic of China on the Protection of Wildlife" has been reviewed and amended by the management authorities and legislative branches many times and will be reviewed by the National People's Congress of China in next step, the new version of law are aiming at more effective measure against illegal wildlife trade including ivory.

3 China will publish the schedule of suspend of domestic commercial trade of ivory before the end of 2016.

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