

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



Seventieth meeting of the Standing Committee
Rosa Khutor, Sochi (Russian Federation), 1-5 October 2018

Administrative and financial matters

WORKING PROGRAMME
(provisional)

Sunday 30 September 2018

14h00-18h00 Registration of participants

Monday 1 October 2018

08h00-10h00 Registration of participants

08h30-09h30 Closed session of the Finance and Budget Subcommittee

10h00-12h30 Welcome from the host Government

Opening remarks of the Chair

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Adoption of the working programme
3. Adoption of the Rules of Procedure and Report of the working group
4. Credentials
5. Admission of observers
6. Financial matters
7. Report on proposed budget scenarios for 2020-2022
8. External funding: Report of the Secretariat
9. Administrative matters
 - 9.1 Administrative matters including host country arrangements for the Secretariat
 - 9.2 Administrative hosting models for the Secretariat
 - 9.3 Report of the United Nations Environment Programme on administrative matters
10. Arrangements for the 18th meeting of the Conference of the Parties (CoP18)
 - 10.1 Preparations for CoP18
 - 10.2 Draft agenda
 - 10.3 Draft working programme

- 10.4 Review of the Rules of Procedure of the Conference of the Parties: Report of the working group
 - 10.5 Selection of nominees for the chairmanship of the committees
 - 10.6 Sponsored Delegates Project
- 14h00-18h00
- 27. Compliance matters
 - 27.2 Possible establishment of a Compliance Assistance Programme: Report of the Secretariat
 - 27.3 Application of Article XIII
 - 27.3.1 Application of Article XIII in the Lao People's Democratic Republic
 - 27.3.3 Application of Article XIII in Guinea
 - 27.3.5 Application of Article XIII in Nigeria
 - 27.4 National ivory action plans process: Report of the Secretariat
 - 35. Purpose codes on CITES permits and certificates: Report of the working group
 - 45. European eels (*Anguilla anguilla*): Report of the Secretariat and of the Animals Committee
 - 50. Hawksbill turtle (*Eretmochelys imbricata*) and other marine turtles (Cheloniidae and Dermochelyidae): Report of the Secretariat
 - 52. Great apes (Hominidae spp.): Report of the Secretariat
- 18h00
- Welcome speeches and reception from host Government.

Tuesday 2 October 2018

- 09h00-12h30
- 27. Compliance matters (cont.)
 - 27.3 Application of Article XIII (cont.)
 - 27.3.4 Introduction from the sea of sei whale (*Balaenoptera borealis*) by Japan
 - 27.5 Malagasy ebonies (*Diospyros* spp.) and palisanders and rosewoods (*Dalbergia* spp.)
 - 27.5.1 Report of Madagascar
 - 27.5.2 Report of the Secretariat
 - 31. Trade in specimens bred in captivity or artificially propagated
 - 31.1 Review of ambiguities and inconsistencies in the application of Article VII, paragraphs 4 and 5, and related Resolutions: Report of the Secretariat
 - 31.2 Definition of the term 'artificially propagated': Report of the Plants Committee
 - 31.3 Implementation of Resolution Conf. 17.7 on *Review of trade in animal specimens reported as produced in captivity*: Report of the Secretariat
 - 32. Disposal of confiscated specimens: Report of the working group
 - 33. Specimens produced from synthetic or cultured DNA: Report of the Secretariat and of the Chair of the working group
- 14h00-18h00
- 27. Compliance matters (cont.)
 - 27.3 Application of Article XIII (cont.)
 - 27.3.2 Application of Article XIII in the Democratic Republic of the Congo
 - 27.3.2.1 Report of the Democratic Republic of the Congo
 - 27.3.2.2 Report of the Secretariat

- 28. Domestic controls in consumer markets for specimens of CITES-listed species for which international trade is predominantly illegal: Report of the Secretariat
- 49. Elephants (*Elephantidae* spp.)
 - 49.1 Elephant conservation, illegal killing and ivory trade
 - 49.2 Implementing aspects of Decisions 17.171 to 17.172 on *Stocks and stockpiles (elephant ivory)*
 - 49.3 Terms of reference for a review of the ETIS programme: Report of the Secretariat to the MIKE-ETIS Subgroup
- 51. Asian big cats (*Felidae* spp.): Report of the Secretariat
- 54. African lion (*Panthera leo*)
 - 54.1 Report of the Secretariat and of the Animals Committee
 - 54.2 Report of the working group
- 56. Rhinoceroses (*Rhinocerotidae* spp.): Report of the working group
- 61. Tortoises and freshwater turtles (*Testudines* spp.): Report of the Secretariat
- 67. Annotations
 - 67.1 Report of the working group
 - 67.2 Appendix II orchids: Report of the Plants Committee

Wednesday 3 October 2018

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| 09h00-12h30 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11. Revision and replacement of the <i>CITES Strategic Vision: 2008-2020</i>: Report of the working group 12. Review of Resolution Conf. 11.1 (Rev. CoP17): Report of the working group 13. Potential conflicts of interest in the Animals and Plants Committees: Report of the Secretariat 14. Designation and roles of Management Authorities 27. Compliance matters (cont.) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 27.1 Guidance for verifying the legal acquisition of CITES specimens to be exported 15. Engagement of rural communities in the CITES processes: Report of the working group 20. Cooperation with the Global Strategy for Plant Conservation of the Convention on Biological Diversity 21. Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES): Report of the Secretariat and of the Chairs of the Animals and Plants Committees |
| 14h00-18h00 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 22. Capacity building <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 22.1 Capacity-building needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition: Report of the Secretariat 22.2 Proposed framework to facilitate coordination, transparency and accountability of CITES capacity-building efforts 24. Follow-up of the Youth Forum for People and Wildlife and South Africa's Youth Conservation Programme: Report of the Secretariat 25. National laws for implementation of the Convention: Report of the Secretariat 26. National reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 26.1 Submission of national reports 26.2 Improving access to annual report data 26.3 Annual illegal trade reports: Report of the Secretariat |

- 20h00-22h00
- 29. Review of Significant Trade in specimens of Appendix-II species
 - 29.1 Implementation of recommendations of the Animals and Plants Committees
 - 29.2 Review of recommendations to suspend trade made more than two years ago
 - 29.3 Country-wide Significant Trade Reviews
 - 30. Enforcement
 - 30.1 Enforcement matters: Report of the Secretariat
 - 30.4 Wildlife crime enforcement support in West and central Africa
 - 30.2 International Consortium on Combating Wildlife Crime (ICCWC): Report of the Secretariat
 - 30.3 Combating wildlife cybercrime
 - 30.3.1 Report of the working group
 - 30.3.2 Report of the Secretariat
 - 31. Trade in specimens bred in captivity or artificially propagated
 - 31.4 Observations and recommendations regarding the first iteration of Resolution Conf. 17.7 on *Review of trade in animal specimens reported as produced in captivity*
 - 34. Introduction from the sea: Report of the Secretariat

Thursday 4 October 2018

- 09h00-12h30
- 36. Simplified procedure for permits and certificates: Report of the working group
 - 38. Definition of the term 'appropriate and acceptable destinations'
 - 38.1 Report of the Secretariat and of the Animals Committee
 - 38.2 Report of the working group
 - 38.3 Definition of the term 'appropriate and acceptable destinations': Trade in live elephants
 - 39. Electronic systems and information technologies: Report of the working group
 - 37. Physical endorsement of permits and certificates
 - 40. Traceability: Report of the working group
 - 41. Stocks and stockpiles of specimens of CITES-listed species: Report of the working group
 - 42. Identification of specimens in trade
 - 42.1 Identification Manual and identification of tiger skins: Report of the Secretariat
 - 42.2 Identification of CITES-listed tree species: Report of the Plants Committee
- 14h00-18h00
- 43. Illegal trade in cheetahs (*Acinonyx jubatus*): Report of the Secretariat
 - 44. Sturgeons and paddlefish (*Acipenseriformes* spp.)
 - 44.1 Definition of country of origin of caviar: Report of the working group
 - 44.2 Identification of sturgeons and paddlefish specimens in trade: Report of the Animals Committee
 - 47. Humphead wrasse (*Cheilinus undulatus*): Report of the Secretariat
 - 48. Sharks and rays (*Elasmobranchii* spp.)
 - 48.1 Report of the working group
 - 48.2 Report of the Secretariat

- 20h00-22h00
- 53. Rosewood timber species [Leguminosae (Fabaceae)]: Report of the Plants Committee
 - 55. Quotas for leopard hunting trophies (*Panthera pardus*): Report of the Animals Committee
 - 57. Illegal trade in the helmeted hornbill (*Rhinoplax vigil*): Report of the Secretariat
 - 58. Saiga antelope (*Saiga* spp.): Report of the Secretariat
 - 59. Snakes (Serpentes spp.): Report of the Secretariat and of the Animals Committee
 - 62. Totoaba (*Totoaba macdonaldi*): Report of the Secretariat
 - 62.1 Report of the Secretariat
 - 62.2 Report of Mexico
 - 63. Possible amendments to Resolution Conf. 10.13 (Rev. CoP15) on *Implementation of the Convention for timber species*: Recommendations of the Plants Committee
 - 64. Appendix III listings: Report of the working group

Friday 5 October 2018

- 09h00-12h30
- 65. Guidance on the application of Resolution Conf. 9.24 (Rev. CoP17) when preparing to list commercially exploited aquatic species in the Appendices
 - 68. Review of Resolution Conf. 10.9 on *Consideration of proposals for the transfer of African elephant populations from Appendix I to Appendix II*: Report of the working group
 - 16. Demand reduction strategies to combat illegal trade in CITES-listed species: Report of the Secretariat
 - 17. Livelihoods and food security: Report of the working group
 - 18. Community awareness on wildlife trafficking: Report of the Secretariat
 - 19. Cooperation with other biodiversity-related conventions
 - 23. United Nations World Wildlife Day: Report of the Secretariat
 - 46. Review of precious corals in international trade [Order Antipatharia/Family Coralliidae]: Report of the Animals Committee
 - 60. Queen conch (*Strombus gigas*): Report of the Secretariat
 - 66. Periodic review of the Appendices: Report of the Chairs of the Animals and Plants Committees
- 14h00-18h00
- Reports of in-session working groups and of the Finance and Budget Sub-Committee
- 69. Reports of regional representatives
 - 69.1 Africa
 - 69.2 Asia
 - 69.3 Central and South America and the Caribbean
 - 69.4 Europe
 - 69.5 North America
 - 69.6 Oceania
 - 70. Any other business
 - 71. Determination of the time and venue of the 71st and 72nd meetings
 - 72. Closing remarks
 - 72.1 Observers
 - Organizations
 - Non-party States

– Parties

72.2 Standing Committee

72.3 Secretariat Officer-in-Charge

72.4 Chair