

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

Fifth Meeting of the Conference of the Parties

Buenos Aires (Argentina), 22 April to 3 May 1985

General Matters of Principle Relating to the Appendices

TEN YEAR REVIEW OF THE APPENDICES

This document has been prepared and is submitted by the Secretariat.

1. The Conference of the Parties, in its Resolution Conf. 4.26 on the Ten Year Review of the Appendices "urges the regions to complete their reviews, if they have not already done so, and to report to the Central Committee at least nine months prior to the fifth ordinary meeting of the Conference of the Parties."
2. This call has not been followed by any action.
3. However, after the Seminar on CITES Implementation for South and Central America and the Caribbean had asked the Secretariat to find funds to support a meeting of the Regional Committee for the Ten Year Review of the Appendices, the Secretariat approached the Organisation of American States, and in particular the persons responsible for the Convention on Nature Protection and Wildlife Preservation in the Western Hemisphere.

As the OAS showed some interest in this matter, an official request was addressed to it by the Secretariat in September 1984. At the time of writing this document, no answer had been received by the Secretariat, but it was informed that OAS would be represented at this meeting of the Conference of the Parties. This question may, therefore, be raised with the OAS observer. The Secretariat hopes that it will be possible to set up a meeting in 1985.