

AMENDMENTS TO APPENDICES I AND II OF THE CONVENTION

A. PROPOSAL

Deletion of Anas bernieri from Appendix II.

B. PROPONENT

The Swiss Confederation.

C. SUPPORTING STATEMENT

1. Taxonomy

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| 11. Class: | Aves |
| 12. Order: | Anseriformes |
| 13. Family: | Anatidae |
| 14. Species: | <u>Anas bernieri</u> |
| 15. Common Names: | English: Madagascan teal,
Bernier's teal
French: sarcelle de Madagascar
Spanish: Cerceta de Madagascar,
Pato Bernier |
| 16. Code Numbers: | 212.002.012.006 (ID Manual) |



2. Biological Data

21. Distribution: Restricted to western Madagascar, along the coast from the extreme North as far South as Lake Ihotry near Morombe. One specimen collected at Lake Alaotra in eastern Madagascar in 1932. Note that important wetlands along the West coast have never been surveyed.
22. Population: Rated vulnerable by the ICBP Red Data Book (1979, 1985). Considered rare with population trends unknown by the Management Authority of Madagascar (1985). In 1973 the Lake Bemamba population was estimated at 120 specimens, more recent population data are not available.

There is no captive population of Anas bernieri.

23. Habitat: Swamps and lakes, mangroves, herbaceous savanna and dense deciduous forest. The habitat is deteriorating due to less water availability in rivers and lakes and the transformation of marshes into rice fields and fish farms.

3. Trade Data

31. National Utilization: Locally hunted for meat, collection of eggs for food.

32. Legal International Trade; Has never been recorded in trade since 1975.

33. Illegal Trade: No evidence.

34. Potential Trade Threats: None.

4. Protection Status

Anas bernieri is not a protected species. However, according to the Management Authority of Madagascar, a permit would be required for hunting and part of the habitat is protected area.

CITES history: Listed at Washington, D.C., 1973, following a proposal by the United States of America, annotated by IUCN which recommended non-listing unless more information would be provided. Has never been reviewed.

5. Information on Similar Species

Anas aucklandica from New Zealand with two subspecies in Appendix I and one subspecies in Appendix II. The two Appendix I subspecies are not in trade, trade in Anas aucklandica chlorotis is restricted to captive bred specimens (zoo population 104 specimens in 1984).

Anas gibberifrons (not listed).

ID Manual data sheet available.

6. Comments from Countries of Origin

The Management Authority of Madagascar tentatively supports the proposal. It is not felt that the situation of the species would become more critical if removed from Appendix II.

7. Additional Remarks

8. References

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