

AMENDMENTS TO APPENDICES I AND II OF THE CONVENTION

A. PROPOSAL

Deletion of Francolinus ochropectus from Appendix II.

B. PROPONENT

The Swiss Confederation.

C. SUPPORTING STATEMENT

1. Taxonomy

- 11. Class: Aves
- 12. Order: Galliformes
- 13. Family: Phasianidae
- 14. Species: Francolinus ochropectus
- 15. Common Names: English; Tadjoura francolin,
Djibouti francolin
French; francolin à poitrine ocre
Spanish; Francolín de Tajura
- 16. Code Numbers: 214.003.032.042 (ID Manual)

2. Biological Data

- 21. Distribution: Djibouti, Forêt du Day and possibly secondary forests at Mabla.
- 22. Population: Was estimated at a few hundred in the 1950's. Recent studies, however, indicate a population of about 5,000 birds (1984).

There are no captive specimens recorded by the International Zoo Yearbook Vol. 24/25.

- 23. Habitat: Primary and secondary forests. Loss of about 50% of habitat within the last few years due to natural dessication of the region, cutting of trees, bushfires and overgrazing by livestock.

3. Trade Data

- 31. National Utilization: No information.
- 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

No information on legal protection at national level. The main habitat, Forêt du Day, falls within the boundaries of the Day National Park.

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

F. ochropectus was described as a species in 1954 only. It is considered intermediate between F. erckelii and F. castaneicollis neither of which are included in CITES appendices.

There is no ID Manual data sheet available.

6. Comments from Countries of Origin

Solicited but not received.

7. Additional Remarks

8. References

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