

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

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Consideration of Proposals for Amendment of Appendices I and II

TEN YEAR REVIEW PROPOSALS

A. Background

At the New Delhi meeting, 1981, the Conference of the Parties decided to carry out a "Ten Year Review of the Appendices", that to this effect Regional Committees and a Secretariat Committee be established, and that a Central Committee should appraise and co-ordinate the regional reviews (Resolution Conf. 3.20).

At the Gaborone meeting, 1983, it became apparent that the "Ten Year Review" based on the work of regional committees would remain uncompleted, and that the envisaged goal, to achieve scientifically sound and effective appendices, could not be reached by this procedure. Therefore, the Conference of the Parties adopted Resolution Conf. 4.7 "Regulation of Trade in Appendix II Wildlife", establishing thus an additional tool for the revision of the appendices.

At the Buenos Aires meeting, 1985, the Conference of the Parties, by adopting Resolution Conf. 5.3, approved the procedure and timetable of the "Significant Trade in Appendix II Species" project, as outlined in document Doc. 5.26, and including a recommendation to the effect that those Appendix II taxa which have never been reported in trade should be considered for deletion from this appendix, unless they have been or should remain included in Appendix II for look-alike reasons.

In addition, the Conference of the Parties expressed its wish that the Ten Year Review Central Committee should continue its work and that the Chairman of this Committee, designated in 1982 (Switzerland), should stimulate the completion of the Review and co-ordinate the submissions of the regions (document Plen. 5.9).

Following the Buenos Aires meeting, the Chairman of the Ten Year Review Central Committee compiled a list of those Appendix II species which have never been recorded in trade since their listing. This list included also the countries of origin of the species and brief information on their CITES history.

At its 13th meeting in November 1985, the Standing Committee approved the steps taken by the Chairman of the Ten Year Review Central Committee. The Standing Committee decided also that for the species concerned a short, simple text was sufficient as a supporting statement.

At the sixth meeting of the Conference of the Parties (Ottawa, 1987) Switzerland, on behalf of the Central Committee for the Ten Year Review (which consists of the Parties represented on the Standing Committee and of the Secretariat) submitted 61 proposals for the deletion from Appendix II of species not having been traded since their listing (see document Doc. 6.47 in Proceedings of the Sixth Meeting of the Conference of the Parties, pp. 851-861). The proposals were considered by Committee I which recommended the adoption of many of them, but some were withdrawn for various reasons, including the need for further consideration (see document Com.I 6.11 in Proceedings of the Sixth Meeting of the Conference of the Parties, pp. 210-212). The Conference of the Parties adopted the recommendations of Committee I [see document Plen. 6.8 (Rev.) in Proceedings of the Sixth Meeting of the Conference of the Parties, p. 144].

The Animals Committee, established by the Conference of the Parties through Resolution Conf. 6.1 Annex 2 adopted in Ottawa (1987) with the mandate, among other things, to continue the work entrusted to the Central Committee for the Ten Year Review, reconsidered some of the species for which a proposal was withdrawn in Ottawa and others. On its side, the Plants Committee, which has a similar mandate to that of the Animals Committee, did the same for some plants species. It must be noted, however, that regarding plants, some species listed in Appendix I have also been considered.

#### B. Proposals

The proposals are formally submitted by Switzerland, Uruguay and the United States of America on behalf of the Animals or Plants Committee. The list of the proposals follows the order used for Appendices I and II. It is included in Annex 1 to this document.

The recommendations from the Secretariat are in Annexe 2 to this document.

The comments from the Parties are in Annex 3 to this document.

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LIST OF TEN YEAR REVIEW PROPOSALS

1. Taxa are listed in the same order as Appendices I and II. Supporting statements are also classified in that order\*.
2. Code letters have the following meaning: CH (Switzerland), US (United States of America) and UY (Uruguay). These code letters give the name of the proponent of each proposal. Numbers following the code letters correspond to the number of each proposal as listed in the Notification to contracting or signatory states dated 30 May 1989 (see Doc. 7.43 Annex 1).

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\* As indicated in the "Foreword", these statements are not reproduced in these Proceedings. (Note from the Secretariat).

F A U N A

AVES

TINAMIFORMES

<u>Tinamidae</u>	1. Deletion from Appendix II of:	<u>Rhynchotus rufescens maculicollis</u>	UY1
	2. Deletion from Appendix II of:	<u>Rhynchotus rufescens pallescens</u>	UY2
	3. Deletion from Appendix II of:	<u>Rhynchotus rufescens rufescens</u>	UY3

GALLIFORMES

<u>Phasianidae</u>	4. Deletion from Appendix II of:	<u>Francolinus ochropectus</u>	CH1
	5. Deletion from Appendix II of:	<u>Francolinus swierstrai</u>	CH2

PISCES

ATHERINIFORMES

<u>CYPRINODONTIDAE</u>	6. Deletion from Appendix II of:	<u>Cynolebias constanciae</u>	CH3
	7. Deletion from Appendix II of:	<u>Cynolebias marmoratus</u>	CH4
	8. Deletion from Appendix II of:	<u>Cynolebias minimus</u>	CH5
	9. Deletion from Appendix II of:	<u>Cynolebias opalescens</u>	CH6
	10. Deletion from Appendix II of:	<u>Cynolebias splendens</u>	CH7

F L O R A

<u>ARACEAE</u>	11. Deletion from Appendix I of:	<u>Alocasia zebrina</u>	US1
<u>CARYOCARACEAE</u>	12. Deletion from Appendix I of:	<u>Caryocar costaricense</u>	US2
<u>FAGACEAE</u>	13. Deletion from Appendix II of:	<u>Quercus copeyensis</u>	CH8
<u>GENTIANACEAE</u>	14. Deletion from Appendix I of:	<u>Prepusa hookeriana</u>	US3
<u>HUMIRIACEAE</u>	15. Deletion from Appendix I of:	<u>Vantanea barbourii</u>	CH9
<u>JUGLANDACEAE</u>	16. Deletion from Appendix I of:	<u>Engelhardtia pterocarpa</u>	CH10

LEGUMINOSAE	17. Deletion from Appendix I of:	<u>Cynometra hemitomophylla</u>	CH11
	18. Deletion from Appendix I of:	<u>Platymiscium pleiostachvum</u>	CH12
	19. Deletion from Appendix I of:	<u>Tachigalia versicolor</u>	CH13
	(If 19 is approved, 20 is redundant)		
	20. Transfer from Appendix I to Appendix II of:	<u>Tachigalia versicolor</u>	US4
MELASTOMATACEAE	21. Deletion from Appendix I of:	<u>Lavoisiera itambana</u>	US5
MELIACEAE	22. Deletion from Appendix I of:	<u>Guarea longipetiola</u>	US6
MORACEAE	23. Deletion from Appendix I of:	<u>Batocarpus costaricensis</u>	CH14
PALMAE	24. Deletion from Appendix II of:	<u>Phoenix hanceana</u> var. <u>philippinensis</u>	US7
	25. Deletion from Appendix II of:	<u>Salacca clemensiana</u>	US8
PODOCARPACEAE	26. Deletion from Appendix I of:	<u>Podocarpus costalis</u>	CH15
STERCULIACEAE	27. Deletion from Appendix II of:	<u>Pterygota excelsa</u>	CH16
WELWITSCHIACEAE	28. Transfer from Appendix I to Appendix II of:	<u>Weltwitschia mirabilis</u>	US9

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RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE SECRETARIAT

1. The Secretariat's recommendations given below are provisional and may be changed on the basis of information that the Secretariat is expecting to receive from various sources, including Parties (range states in particular) and others.
2. The Secretariat fully supports the principle behind these proposals, because if accepted this will result in:
  - a) no detrimental effect on the species in the wild;
  - b) a simplification and rationalization of the CITES Appendix II;
  - c) easier and more effective implementation of CITES; and
  - d) a reduction in unnecessary workload (training of enforcement officers, identification of specimens).
3. Consequently, the Secretariat recommends that the proposals be approved by the Conference of the Parties for the above-mentioned reasons except the following:
  - Tachigalia versicolor, transfer from Appendix I to Appendix II: this species is proposed for deletion from Appendix I by Switzerland and for transfer to Appendix II by the United States of America, on the basis of the same supporting statement. The difference of treatment is apparently only due to a legal problem in the United States of America.

Considering that the species is not threatened by international trade, or even by local utilization, the Secretariat believes that its maintenance in a CITES appendix does not serve any useful conservation purpose.

The Secretariat recommends, therefore, that this species be deleted from Appendix I, and that the proposal from Switzerland be approved.

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COMMENTS FROM THE PARTIES

The Secretariat received no comments from Parties concerning the Ten Year Review proposals.