

AMENDMENTS TO APPENDICES I AND II OF THE CONVENTION

Other Proposals

A. PROPOSAL

Transfer of Lemboglossum majale from Appendix II to Appendix I.

B. PROPONENT

The Republic of Guatemala.

C. SUPPORTING STATEMENT

1. Taxonomy

11. Class: Angiospermae
12. Order: Orchidales
13. Family: Orchidaceae
14. Species: Lemboglossum majale (Reichb. f.) Halbinger  
Synonyms: Odontoglossum majale Reichb. f; Odontoglossum platycheilum Weathers.
15. Common Names: English:  
French:  
Spanish:

2. Biological Data

21. Distribution: Endemic to Guatemala. Flowering in April and May. Seed releasing in January and February. Oak forests of Tecpan, Chimaltenango; Sierra de las Minas, El Progreso. Altitude above 1,800 m above sea level.
22. Population: The very small wild populations are threatened by habitat destruction and commercial collection of live plants. Two populations, each of less than 300 plants.
23. Habitat: Epiphyte or sometimes lithophyte in oak forests.

3. Trade Data

31. National Utilization: Ornamental plant.
32. Legal International Trade: None.
33. Illegal Trade: Internal collection without licence for export.
34. Potential Trade Threats:
- i) Trade in specimens collected in forests.
- ii) Cutting of the few remaining trees on which plants are growing.

4. Protection Status

41. National: In theory, law requires licences for cutting trees in forests. Most of the population is on private land.

42. International: Listed in CITES Appendix II.

43. Additional Protection Needs:

a) Control export of this species to Belize, Honduras, El Salvador and Mexico.

b) Repopulation programmes for suitable areas.

5. Information on Similar Species

Lemboglossum stellatum (synonym Odontoglossum stellatum) is distinguishable by its longer violet or pink labellum, spotted with coffee coloured points in L. majale.

6. Comments from Countries of Origin

None.

7. Additional Remarks

None.

8. References

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