

AMENDMENTS TO APPENDICES I AND II OF THE CONVENTION

Other Proposals

A. PROPOSAL

Inclusion of Aceros (Berenicornis) comatus, Aceros corrugatus, Aceros nipalensis, Aceros subruficollis and Anthracosceros malayanus in Appendix I and transfer of Buceros rhinoceros from Appendix II to Appendix I.

B. PROPONENT

Thailand.

C. SUPPORTING STATEMENT

1. Taxonomy

11. Class: Aves
12. Order: Coraciiformes
13. Family: Bucerotidae
14. Species:
- a. Aceros (Berenicornis) comatus
 - b. Aceros corrugatus
 - c. Aceros nipalensis
 - d. Aceros subruficollis
 - e. Anthracosceros malayanus
 - f. Buceros rhinoceros
15. Common Names:
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| English: | a. white-crested hornbill |
| | b. wrinkled hornbill |
| | c. rufous-necked hornbill |
| | d. plain-pouched hornbill |
| | e. black hornbill |
| | f. rhinoceros hornbill |

French:
Spanish:

2. Biological Data

21. Distribution: The hornbill species are found from Nepal, Bhutan, India, Bangladesh, SW China, Myanmar, N Lao PDR and NW Viet Nam. In Thailand, they are found in W, NW to South.
22. Population: These species apparently never have been very abundant in Thailand in recent times. The total numbers of these birds are unknown. They are considered to be very rare.

23. Habitat and Ecology: These species prefer evergreen forest. They are arboreal and considered as frugivorous species. The nest is plastered by the female from inside with her own feces and regurgitated fruits or fruit debris and is possibly supplemented with mud from the male. She leaves a narrow slit through which the male feeds her throughout the nesting period.

3. Cause of Threat

Over-hunting and deforestation threaten these hornbill species. Their large size and tractability is perhaps the primary cause of threat. Chinese people want their casque for art-object carving. Thus, disappearing rate is increasing.

4. Protection Status

41. National: Thai law (Wild Animal Reservation Protection Act B.E.2503 or WARPA 1960) protects these birds from hunting and trade.

42. International:

5. Information on Similar Species

6. Comments from Countries of Origin

Forest must be strictly protected and international trade banning is necessary.

7. Additional Remarks

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