

Committee Reports and Recommendations
NOMENCLATURE COMMITTEE
RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE

Regarding amendments to the current Resolution
 Conf. 9.26 on Standard Nomenclature

1. The Nomenclature Committee recommends that the Parties:
2. – agree to insert a new first paragraph in the operative part of this Resolution that reads:
3. – RECOMMENDS that countries authorizing export of animals or plants (or their parts or derivatives) of taxa for which no standard references have been adopted by the Conference of the Parties inform the CITES Secretariat and prospective importing countries of their preferred published taxonomic authority. [Taxonomic authority means the most recent published paper or monograph that reviews the nomenclature of the taxon (being exported) and that has been reviewed by professionals in the pertinent discipline.] In cases where specimens of the taxon are exported from several countries and the exporting countries do not agree, or the exporting and importing countries do not agree, on the taxonomic authority, the Fauna or Flora Subcommittee of the Nomenclature Committee will determine the most appropriate taxonomic authority.
4. – add a new paragraph i) under RECOMMENDS, that reads as follows:
5. – that adoption of a standard checklist or reference does not by the action itself change the status of any listed or unlisted entity and the status of the entity remains as intended in the proposal adopted by the Parties, unless specifically changed by a further decision of the Parties.
6. – adopt the standard references for fauna and flora, discussed in document Doc. 10.18, paragraphs 5-8, 14, and 28-32, and included in document Doc. 10.77, Annex, paragraphs d)–f) and i)–m) under ADOPTS.

Regarding annotations to and nomenclatural changes
 in the appendices

FAUNA

7. *Naja naja* should be annotated to reflect the fact that the binomial name *Naja kaouthia* refers to the same biological entity as the trinomial name *Naja naja kaouthia*.
8. To clarify the current listing of *Ovis vignei* in Appendix I, it is recommended that the listing be annotated to read: "includes *O. v. arkal*, *O. v. boharensis*, *O. v. cycloceros*, *O. v. blanfordi*, *O. v. punjabiensis*, *O. v. severtzovi* and *O. v. vignei*."

FLORA

Cactaceae

9. Two new species have been described in the genus *Strombocactus* (J.J. Halda, *Dva nové strombokakty z Querétara*, Cactaceae etc., pp. 83-91). These new species are the result of separation of the taxa from the original species *S. disciformis* that is listed in Appendix I. To reflect the intent of the Parties when they adopted the proposal to include *S. disciformis*, the current listing should be amended to read *Strombocactus* spp.

Bowenia (Zamiaceae)

10. Following the publication of an update to *A World List of Cycads* (D.W. Stevenson, R. Osborne and K.D. Hill, 1995; In: P. Vorster (Ed.), Proceedings of the Third International Conference on Cycad Biology, pp. 55-64, Cycad Society of South Africa, Stellenbosch), which was adopted as the standard reference to species of Cycadaceae, Stangeriaceae and Zamiaceae at the ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties, the genus *Bowenia* (Appendix II), formerly considered to be in Zamiaceae, is now placed in the family Stangeriaceae. The taxonomy of Appendix II should reflect the current taxonomic position of this genus.

Anacampseros (Portulacaceae)

11. A recent revision of the genus *Anacampseros* has resulted in some species being allocated to the genus *Grahamia* (formerly a monotypic genus not included in the CITES appendices) and to the newly created genus *Avonia* (cf. G.D. Rowley, 1994, *Anacampseros and allied genera – A reassessment*; Bradleya 12/1994: 105-112). To reflect these changes the current listing of *Anacampseros* spp. in Appendix II should be amended to read *Anacampseros* spp. and *Avonia* spp. The genus *Avonia* only includes species formerly included in *Anacampseros*. *Anacampseros* spp. should further be annotated to read: *Anacampseros australiana* and *A. kurtzii* are also referenced in the genus *Grahamia*.
12. The Plants Committee, while reviewing the appendices should consider the listing of these two latter taxa since hardly any international trade has been recorded in these.

Euphorbia (Euphorbiaceae)

13. Several species of *Euphorbia* included in Appendix I contain a number of subspecies. To avoid circumvention of the Parties' intent to prohibit trade in these species, the current annotations (i.e. =426 and =427) should be maintained and the following annotations should be included in the relevant sections of Appendix I and II:
 - *E. decaryi* (includes *E. decaryi* vars. *ampanihyensis*, *capsaintemariensis*, *robinsonii* and *spirostycha*);
 - *E. francoisii* (includes *E. francoisii* var. *rakotozafy*); and
 - *E. moratii* (includes *E. moratii* vars. *antsingiensis*, *bemarahensis* and *multiflora*).

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| 14. The text of paragraph 3 above would, in particular for plants, require extensive exchange of publications in situations where this might not be necessary. The Secretariat recommends that it be rephrased to refer only to cases where there is a conflict, with regard to the name used for a taxon, between an exporting and an | importing Party, or where the Secretariat has noted that such a conflict could exist. |
| | 15. Regarding paragraphs 4 and 5 above, the Secretariat suggests that the text should be recorded as a decision rather than a recommendation. |