

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

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Interpretation and implementation of the Convention

CROSS-BORDER MOVEMENTS OF LIVE ANIMALS FOR EXHIBITION

1. This document has been prepared by the Secretariat.
2. Decision 10.142 of the Conference of the Parties is directed to the Secretariat. It states:

Recommendations shall be prepared on the basis of proposals submitted by interested Parties , for consideration by the Standing Committee in 1998, in order to establish:

 - a) *a single simplified procedure for transborder movements of live animals for exhibition travelling to other States;*
 - b) *an effective and rational system of registration and identification of live animals for exhibition; and*
 - c) *principles and methods for certification of travelling owners supposed to travel to other States under the simplified procedure for cross-border movements of live animals for exhibition.*
3. At its 41st meeting, the Standing Committee decided to establish a working group to be convened by the United States of America. At its 42nd meeting, the Standing Committee discussed a report originating from this working group. Following discussion of the subject the Standing Committee decided to disband the working group because it could not agree to a final draft resolution, and to ask the Secretariat to prepare a document for consideration at its 43rd meeting.
4. At the 43rd meeting of the Standing Committee, the Secretariat reported that it could find no sufficient justification for a change to the current provisions applicable through Resolution Conf. 8.16 (Travelling live-animal exhibitions) and Resolution Conf. 10.20 (Frequent cross-border movements of personally owned live animals).
5. Following discussion of the subject the Standing Committee agreed that a draft of a Certificate Continuation Sheet (copy attached as Annex), as prepared by the United States of America, could prove useful and that it should be recommended to Parties as an example of a suitable format to fulfil the provisions of the relevant Resolutions.
6. The Secretariat will, consequently, distribute an example of the format via a Notification to the Parties.

