

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

Thirteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties
Bangkok (Thailand), 2-14 October 2004

Interpretation and implementation of the Convention

General compliance issues

NATIONAL LAWS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONVENTION

1. This document has been prepared by the Secretariat.

Background

2. The National Legislation Project began with the adoption of Resolution Conf. 8.4 at the eighth meeting of the Conference of the Parties (Kyoto, 1992). Results of analyses done on Parties' legislation, determining the degree to which it met the four minimum requirements set out in Resolution Conf. 8.4, were adopted at the ninth (Fort Lauderdale, 1994), 10th (Harare, 1997) and 11th (Gigiri, 2000) meetings of the Conference of the Parties.
3. At its 11th meeting, the Conference of the Parties grouped Parties for priority attention under the National Legislation Project on the basis of when their legislation was analysed, the category in which the legislation was placed and their volume of CITES trade. Each of these groups was given a different deadline by which adequate legislation should be enacted.
4. Although strengthened legislation was enacted by some Parties, others were unable to make such legislative progress and the deadlines for legislative enactment were extended by the Standing Committee at its 45th and 46th meeting (Paris, June 2001 and Geneva, March 2002) meetings pursuant to its authority under Decision 11.77. To give direction and momentum to the legislative process, the Standing Committee agreed at its 46th meeting that affected Parties should prepare and submit a CITES Legislation Plan setting out the steps and timetable for enacting adequate legislation.
5. At its 12th meeting (Santiago, 2002), the Conference of the Parties adopted Decisions 12.80 to 12.83 related to National laws for implementation of the Convention. Decision 12.83 incorporated relevant decisions adopted by the Standing Committee at its 46th meeting (see Annex 5 of the CoP12 Decisions). It also required the Secretariat to continue its legislative analysis and assistance activities and to make relevant reports and recommendations to the Standing Committee. Decision 12.80 directed a group of listed Parties and dependent territories to prepare a CITES Legislation Plan and provided deadlines for the submission of this Plan as well as the enactment of adequate legislation. Decision 12.81 authorized the Standing Committee to consider appropriate measures if a Party or dependent territory listed in Decision 12.80 failed to submit a CITES Legislation Plan. Decision 12.82 directed the Standing Committee to "adjust the deadlines for enactment of legislation agreed at its 46th meeting to allow affected Parties that are making good legislative progress additional time in which to complete the legislative process".
6. To date the decisions of the Conference of the Parties and Standing Committee have sought to bring about the adoption of adequate legislation as quickly as possible while recognizing the constraints that exist in the legislative process.

Legislative progress

7. Paragraph f) i) of Decision 12.83 directs the Secretariat to report at the 13th meeting of the Conference of the Parties on "the legislation adopted by the Parties to implement the Convention and any recommendations relating to Parties that have not adopted adequate legislation for implementation of the Convention".

8. A revised chart showing the status of legislative progress by Parties and dependent territories with deadlines for the enactment of adequate legislation is attached as Annex 1. The chart also includes Parties and dependent territories which do not yet have a deadline. An updated version of the chart will be provided during CoP13 as a number of Parties are expected to make significant legislative progress by October 2004.

9. The chart reflects the process and indicators (e.g. initial or revised CITES Legislation Plan, draft legislation, enacted legislation) that have been developed for Parties to provide evidence of their political commitment to bring about legislative enactment and their measurable progress towards that goal.

A. Parties with a deadline of 31 December 2001

10. Fiji and Yemen adopted adequate legislation for implementation of the Convention and their legislation has been placed in Category 1.

B. Parties with a deadline of 31 March 2003

11. Romania and the Russian Federation have adopted adequate legislation to implement the Convention and their legislation has been placed in Category 1. South Africa adopted enabling legislation on biodiversity and expects to enact implementing legislation by October 2004. Draft legislation has been submitted by Cameroon, the Dominican Republic and Panama.

12. At its 49th meeting (Geneva, April 2003), pursuant to its authority under Decision 12.82, the Standing Committee adjusted the deadline for Cameroon, the Dominican Republic, Mozambique, Panama and South Africa because of their legislative progress. At its 50th meeting (Geneva, March 2004), the Standing Committee again adjusted the deadline for Cameroon, the Dominican Republic and South Africa because of their legislative progress and agreed to review progress at its 51st meeting (Bangkok, October 2004). At the Committee's instruction the Secretariat issued Notification to the Parties No. 2004/024 (30 April 2004) recommending that Parties suspend commercial trade in specimens of CITES-listed species with Mozambique and Panama for their failure to show good legislative progress or to enact adequate legislation for the implementation of the Convention.

C. Parties with a deadline of 31 December 2003

13. Brazil and Indonesia have enacted adequate legislation for implementation of the Convention and their legislation has now been placed in Category 1.

14. Bulgaria, Cyprus, Ecuador, Estonia, Gabon, Honduras, Hungary, Jordan, Mali, Papua New Guinea, Suriname, Togo and the United Arab Emirates have enacted additional CITES-related legislation, which is under review. Draft or revised draft legislation has been submitted to the Secretariat by the Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Benin, Bolivia, Botswana, Brunei Darussalam, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Chad, Côte d'Ivoire, El Salvador, Guinea, Malawi, Malaysia, Monaco, Namibia, Niger, Pakistan, Peru, the Philippines, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Tunisia and Uruguay.

15. At its 49th meeting, the Standing Committee instructed the Secretariat to issue formal cautions to Parties that had not yet submitted a CITES Legislation Plan or otherwise showed good legislative progress. This prompted the additional reporting of legislative progress to the Secretariat.

16. At its 50th meeting, pursuant to Decision 12.82, the Standing Committee adjusted the deadline for the following Parties because of legislative progress and agreed to review their further legislative progress at its 51st meeting: Afghanistan, Algeria, Bahamas, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belize, Benin, Bolivia, Botswana, Brunei Darussalam, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, the Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Chile, China, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Cyprus, Ecuador, El Salvador, Eritrea, Estonia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Grenada, Guinea, Honduras, Hungary, India, Israel, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Madagascar, Malaysia, Malawi, Mali, Mauritius, Monaco, Morocco, Namibia, Nepal, Niger, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Peru, the Philippines, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Seychelles, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Uganda, the United Arab Emirates, the United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Venezuela and Zambia.

17. At the Committee's instruction, the Secretariat issued Notification to the Parties No. 2004/024 (30 April 2004) recommending that Parties suspend commercial trade in specimens of CITES-listed species with

Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Liberia, Rwanda and Sierra Leone for their failure to show good legislative progress or to enact adequate legislation for implementation of the Convention.

D. Parties and dependent territories with a deadline of 30 June 2004

18. Jamaica has enacted adequate legislation for implementation of the Convention and its legislation has now been placed in Category 1.
19. Latvia, Mongolia, Myanmar, Pitcairn Islands, Saint Helena and Dependencies and Saudi Arabia have enacted legislation, which is under review.
20. At its 49th meeting, the Standing Committee instructed the Secretariat to issue formal cautions to Parties that had not yet submitted a CITES Legislation Plan or otherwise showed good legislative progress. This prompted the additional reporting of legislative progress to the Secretariat.
21. At its 50th meeting, the Committee adjusted the deadline for Antigua and Barbuda, Belarus, Cambodia, Dominica, Georgia, Latvia, Mongolia, Myanmar, Pitcairn Islands, Saint Helena and Dependencies, Saudi Arabia, South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands¹, and Swaziland, because of their legislative progress and agreed to review their further legislative progress at its 51st meeting. The Committee instructed the Secretariat to issue a Notification suspending commercial trade in specimens of CITES-listed species with Mauritania, Somalia and Uzbekistan if they had not provided any indications of legislative progress by 30 June 2004.

E. Parties and dependent territories without deadlines

22. Kuwait has enacted legislation, which is under review. Cayman Islands (GB), Nigeria and Qatar have submitted draft legislation to the Secretariat. The Secretariat advised the Standing Committee, at its 50th meeting, that the legislation of Nigeria and Paraguay, which had previously been listed in Category 1, did in fact belong in Category 2. The Secretariat further advised the Committee that deadlines for the enactment of adequate legislation by Nigeria and Paraguay were incorporated into the broader action plans already agreed between those countries and the Secretariat in relation to enforcement matters.
23. The draft decisions provided in Annex 2 are intended to incorporate new Parties into the National Legislation Project and to provide a deadline for Parties and dependent territories that do not yet have a deadline by which to enact adequate legislation.

Technical assistance

24. Paragraph f) ii) of Decision 12.83 directs the Secretariat to report at the 13th meeting of the Conference of the Parties on “any progress concerning technical assistance provided to the Parties in the development of their national legislation for implementation of CITES”.
25. Since 2002, the Secretariat has provided existing CITES legislative analyses and guidance materials to a number of CITES authorities, government legal offices and consultants. Among other things, this information has helped Parties to target their legislative efforts on specific weaknesses or gaps that render national legislation inadequate for implementation of the Convention. Much time was spent trying to clarify expectations regarding the CITES Legislation Plan as several Parties thought it needed to be a formal, lengthy document. In the Secretariat’s view, the Plan should be one or two pages and could be revised several times to reflect the actions taken as well as the action items that remained and any adjusted time-frames. The Secretariat has also provided Parties with legal advice in relation to specific questions and has written comments on existing legislation as well as draft texts.
26. Assistance with the analysis and preparation of legislative measures has been provided not only by the Secretariat but also by other Parties, inter-governmental organizations and non-governmental organizations. Regional representatives to the Standing Committee, particularly those in the Caribbean and Oceania, have played an active role in supporting legislative activities undertaken by Parties in their region through, amongst other things, the organization of a CITES regional workshop on general and legal capacity building in Saint Lucia and the involvement of Australian Youth Ambassadors.

¹ A dispute exists between the Governments of Argentina and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland concerning sovereignty over the Falkland Islands (Malvinas).

27. Parties themselves have made better use of available internal expertise by consulting closely with government legal offices and forming multi-agency legislative committees (e.g. Management Authorities, Scientific Authorities, enforcement authorities, relevant government legal offices, veterinary and phytosanitary services, etc.). Some countries have had extensive public consultations on draft texts which create better awareness and acceptance of the legislative provisions under consideration.
28. Parties' experience in the development of strengthened CITES implementing legislation has shown the importance of: simultaneous preparation of enabling and implementing legislation; complementary legislation governing the legal acquisition of and domestic trade in CITES specimens; policy coherence in relation to national wildlife trade policy, other biodiversity-related conventions, natural resource management, and development policy; timely updating of legislation to incorporate amendments to the CITES appendices and provision for offences related to the violation of permit or certificate conditions as well as the absence of a valid permit or certificate. Additional points to consider in the development of legislation are provided in documents CoP13 Doc. 23 (on enforcement matters) and CoP13 Doc. 13 (on economic incentives).
29. The revised draft format for biennial reports (see document CoP13 Doc. 18) provides Parties with a means to report more regularly, easily and consistently on legislative development as well as the results of any assessments undertaken on the effectiveness of legislation.

Recommendation

30. The Secretariat recommends to the Conference of the Parties the adoption of the draft decisions in Annex 2 to this document.

Status of legislative progress for implementing CITES
(updated on 24 September 2004)

ISO	Party or dependent territory	Category	Plan	Draft	Enacted	Deadline	Dep.
AF	Afghanistan	3	Yes	No	No	31/12/2003	
AL	Albania	p					
DZ	Algeria	3	Yes	No	No	31/12/2003	
AS	American Samoa	1					US
AG	Antigua and Barbuda	3	Yes	Yes	No	30/06/2004	
AR	Argentina	1					
AW	Aruba	r					NL
AU	Australia	1					
AT	Austria	1					
AZ	Azerbaijan	2					
BS	Bahamas	3	Yes	Yes	No	31/12/2003	
GX	Bailiwick of Guernsey	r					GB
JE	Bailiwick of Jersey	r					GB
BD	Bangladesh	2	Yes	Yes	No	31/12/2003	
BB	Barbados	3	Yes	Yes	No	31/12/2003	
BY	Belarus	3	Yes	No	No	30/06/2004	
BE	Belgium	1					
BZ	Belize	3	No	Yes	No	31/12/2003	
BJ	Benin	2r	No	No	Yes	31/12/2003	
BM	Bermuda	2					GB
BT	Bhutan	r					
BO	Bolivia	3	Yes	Yes	No	31/12/2003	
BW	Botswana	2	Yes	Yes	No	31/12/2003	
BR	Brazil	1					
IO	British Indian Ocean Territory	r					GB
VG	British Virgin Islands	2					GB
BN	Brunei Darussalam	3	Yes	Yes	No	31/12/2003	
BG	Bulgaria	1					
BF	Burkina Faso	2	Yes	Yes	No	31/12/2003	
BI	Burundi	3	Yes	Yes	No	31/12/2003	
KH	Cambodia	3	Yes	Yes	No	30/06/2004	
CM	Cameroon	2	Yes	Yes	No	31/03/2003	
CA	Canada	1					
KY	Cayman Islands	2					GB
CF	Central African Republic	3	Yes	No	No	31/12/2003	
TD	Chad	3	No	Yes	No	31/12/2003	
CL	Chile	2	Yes	No	No	31/12/2003	
CN	China	2	Yes	No	No	31/12/2003	
CO	Colombia	1					
KM	Comoros	3	Yes	No	No	31/12/2003	
CG	Congo	2	Yes	No	No	31/12/2003	

ISO	Party or dependent territory	Category	Plan	Draft	Enacted	Deadline	Dep.
CR	Costa Rica	1					
CI	Côte d'Ivoire	3	Yes	Yes	No	31/12/2003	
HR	Croatia	2					
CU	Cuba	1					
CY	Cyprus	1					
CZ	Czech Republic	1					
CD	Democratic Republic of the Congo	1					
DK	Denmark	1					
DJ	Djibouti	3	No	No	No	31/12/2003	
DM	Dominica	3	Yes	Yes	No	30/06/2004	
DO	Dominican Republic	3	Yes	Yes	No	31/03/2003	
EC	Ecuador	2r	Yes	Yes	Yes	31/12/2003	
EG	Egypt	1					
SV	El Salvador	2	Yes	Yes	No	31/12/2003	
GQ	Equatorial Guinea	2	No	Yes	No	31/12/2003	
ER	Eritrea	2	Yes	No	No	31/12/2003	
EE	Estonia	1					
ET	Ethiopia	1					
FK	Falkland Islands (Malvinas)	3r			Yes		*
FJ	Fiji	1					
FI	Finland	1					
FR	France	1					
GF	French Guiana	1					FR
PF	French Polynesia	p					FR
GA	Gabon	3r	No	No	Yes	31/12/2003	
GM	Gambia	2	Yes	No	No	31/12/2003	
GE	Georgia	3	Yes	Yes	No	30/06/2004	
DE	Germany	1					
GH	Ghana	3	Yes	No	No	31/12/2003	
GI	Gibraltar	1					GB
GR	Greece	1					
GL	Greenland	p					DK
GD	Grenada	3	Yes	No	No	31/12/2003	
GP	Guadeloupe	1					FR
GU	Guam	1					US
GT	Guatemala	1					
GN	Guinea	2	Yes	Yes	No	31/12/2003	
GW	Guinea-Bissau	3	No	No	No	31/12/2003	
GY	Guyana	2r					
HN	Honduras	1					
HK	Hong Kong	1					CN
HU	Hungary	1					
IS	Iceland	p					
IN	India	2	Yes	No	No	31/12/2003	
ID	Indonesia	1					

ISO	Party or dependent territory	Category	Plan	Draft	Enacted	Deadline	Dep.
IR	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	1					
IE	Ireland	r					
IM	Isle of Man	2					GB
IL	Israel	2r	Yes	No	Yes	31/12/2003	
IT	Italy	1					
JM	Jamaica	1					
JP	Japan	1					
JO	Jordan	3r	No	No	Yes	31/12/2003	
KZ	Kazakhstan	2	Yes	Yes	No	31/12/2003	
KE	Kenya	2	Yes	No	No	31/12/2003	
KW	Kuwait	r					
LA	Lao People's Democratic Republic	p					
LV	Latvia	2r	No	No	Yes	30/06/2004	
LS	Lesotho	p					
LR	Liberia	3	No	No	No	31/12/2003	
LY	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	p					
LI	Liechtenstein	1					
LT	Lithuania	p					
LU	Luxembourg	1					
MO	Macao	p					CN
MG	Madagascar	2	Yes	No	No	31/12/2003	
MW	Malawi	2	No	Yes	No	31/12/2003	
MY	Malaysia	2	Yes	Yes	No	31/12/2003	
ML	Mali	3r	No	No	Yes	31/12/2003	
MT	Malta	1					
MQ	Martinique	1					FR
MR	Mauritania	3	No	No	No	30/06/2004	
MU	Mauritius	2	Yes	No	No	31/12/2003	
YT	Mayotte	p					FR
MX	Mexico	1					
MC	Monaco	2	Yes	Yes	No	31/12/2003	
MN	Mongolia	3r	Yes	Yes	Yes	30/06/2004	
MS	Montserrat	2					GB
MA	Morocco	3	Yes	No	No	31/12/2003	
MZ	Mozambique	3r	No	No	Yes	31/03/2003	
MM	Myanmar	3	Yes	No	No	30/06/2004	
NA	Namibia	2	Yes	Yes	No	31/12/2003	
NP	Nepal	3	Yes	Yes	No	31/12/2003	
NL	Netherlands	1					
AN	Netherlands Antilles	r					NL
NC	New Caledonia	P					FR
NZ	New Zealand	1					
NI	Nicaragua	1					
NE	Niger	3	Yes	Yes	No	31/12/2003	
NG	Nigeria	2					

ISO	Party or dependent territory	Category	Plan	Draft	Enacted	Deadline	Dep.
MP	Northern Mariana Islands	1					US
NO	Norway	1					
PK	Pakistan	3	Yes	Yes	No	31/12/2003	
PW	Palau	P					
PA	Panama	1					
PG	Papua New Guinea	2r	No	Yes	Yes	31/12/2003	
PY	Paraguay	2					
PE	Peru	2	Yes	Yes	No	31/12/2003	
PH	Philippines	2	Yes	Yes	No	31/12/2003	
PN	Pitcairn Islands	1					GB
PL	Poland	1					
PT	Portugal	1					
PR	Puerto Rico	1					US
QA	Qatar	3					
KR	Republic of Korea	1					
MD	Republic of Moldova	P					
RE	Reunion	1					FR
RO	Romania	1					
RU	Russian Federation	1					
RW	Rwanda	3	No	No	No	31/12/2003	
SH	Saint Helena and Dependencies	3r	No	No	Yes	30/06/2004	GB
KN	Saint Kitts and Nevis	2	Yes	Yes	No	31/12/2003	
LC	Saint Lucia	2	Yes	Yes	No	31/12/2003	
PM	Saint Pierre and Miquelon	P					FR
VC	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	2	Yes	No	No	31/12/2003	
ST	Sao Tome and Principe	P					
SA	Saudi Arabia	3r	No	No	Yes	30/06/2004	
SN	Senegal	2r					
CS	Serbia and Montenegro	P					
SC	Seychelles	3	Yes	Yes	No	31/12/2003	
SL	Sierra Leone	3	Yes	No	No	31/12/2003	
SG	Singapore	1					
SK	Slovakia	1					
SI	Slovenia	2					
SO	Somalia	3	No	No	No	30/06/2004	
ZA	South Africa	2r	Yes	Yes	Yes	31/03/2003	
GS	South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands	3	Yes	Yes	No	30/06/2004	*
ES	Spain	1					
LK	Sri Lanka	3	Yes	No	No	31/12/2003	
SD	Sudan	2	Yes	No	No	31/12/2003	
SR	Suriname	2r	No	No	Yes	31/12/2003	
SZ	Swaziland	3	Yes	No	No	30/06/2004	
SE	Sweden	1					
CH	Switzerland	1					

ISO	Party or dependent territory	Category	Plan	Draft	Enacted	Deadline	Dep.
SY	Syrian Arab Republic	R					
TH	Thailand	1					
MK	The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	2					
TG	Togo	2r	No	No	Yes	31/12/2003	
TT	Trinidad and Tobago	2	Yes	No	No	31/12/2003	
TN	Tunisia	2	No	Yes	No	31/12/2003	
TR	Turkey	1					
UG	Uganda	3	Yes	Yes	No	31/12/2003	
UA	Ukraine	2					
AE	United Arab Emirates	2r	Yes	Yes	Yes	31/12/2003	
GB	United Kingdom	1					
TZ	United Republic of Tanzania	2	Yes	Yes	No	31/12/2003	
US	United States of America	1					
UY	Uruguay	2	Yes	Yes	No	31/12/2003	
UZ	Uzbekistan	3	No	Yes	No	30/06/2004	
VU	Vanuatu	1					
VE	Venezuela	2	No	No	No	31/12/2003	
VN	Viet Nam	1					
VI	Virgin Islands of the United States	1					US
WF	Wallis and Futuna Islands	P					FR
YE	Yemen	1					
ZM	Zambia	2	Yes	No	No	31/12/2003	
ZW	Zimbabwe	1					

Keys

ISO	Two-letter ISO code of the country
Category	p = pending submission of legislation to the Secretariat r = review of enacted legislation ongoing to determine or revise category
Plan	CITES Legislation Plan submitted to the Secretariat
Draft	Draft legislation submitted to the Secretariat for comments
Enacted	Enacted legislation submitted to the Secretariat for review
Deadline	Deadline by which adequate legislation should be enacted, as decided by the Conference of the Parties and the Standing Committee
Dep.	Two-letter ISO code of the State of which the territory is a dependency
*	A dispute exists between the Governments of Argentina and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland concerning sovereignty over the Falkland Islands (Malvinas)

Boxes have been left blank for Parties and dependent territories whose legislation is placed in Category 1 or which do not yet have a deadline.

DRAFT DECISIONS OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES
[to replace Decision 12.83]

Directed to the Secretariat

13.xx The Secretariat shall:

- a) with regard to Parties with legislation in Category 2 or 3 or not yet categorized, compile and analyse the information submitted by Parties on legislation adopted before the 14th meeting of the Conference of the Parties to fulfil the requirements laid down in the text of the Convention and Resolution Conf. 8.4;
- b) prepare or revise the analyses of national legislation and the categories, and advise the Parties concerned of the initial or revised analyses, specifying any requirements that are not yet met;
- c) provide technical assistance to Parties requesting advice in the formulation of legislative proposals for CITES implementation by providing, to the extent resources are available:
 - i) legal guidance in the preparation of necessary legislative measures;
 - ii) training of CITES authorities and other relevant bodies responsible for the formulation of wildlife trade policies or legislation; and
 - iii) any specific support relevant to the fulfilment of the legislative requirements for the implementation of CITES;
- d) report at the 53rd meeting of the Standing Committee and subsequent meetings of the Standing Committee on Parties' progress in enacting adequate legislation and, if necessary, recommend the adoption of appropriate compliance measures, including suspension of trade pursuant to decisions taken by the Standing Committee;
- e) identify for the Standing Committee any countries that require attention as a priority under the National Legislation Project; and
- f) report at the 14th meeting of the Conference of the Parties on:
 - i) the legislation adopted by the Parties to implement the Convention and any recommendations relating to Parties that have not adopted adequate legislation for implementation of the Convention; and
 - ii) any progress concerning technical assistance provided to the Parties in the development of their national legislation for implementation of CITES.

Directed to the Parties

- 13.xx a) All Parties and dependent territories with legislation not yet categorized should provide to the Secretariat, before the 53rd meeting of the Standing Committee and in one of the three working languages of the Convention, copies of all existing legislation which implements the provisions of the Convention.
- b) A new Party which adheres to the Convention before CoP14 should provide to the Secretariat, within three months after the Convention enters into force for that Party and in one of the three working languages of the Convention, copies of all existing legislation which implements the provisions of the Convention.
- c) All Parties and dependent territories whose legislation has been placed in Category 2 or 3 should indicate their progress in enacting adequate legislation for implementation of the Convention by submitting to the Secretariat before the 53rd meeting of the Standing Committee and its subsequent meetings:

- i) an initial or revised CITES Legislation Plan indicating the procedures, actions and time-frames needed to enact legislation;
 - ii) draft legislation and a translation of this draft legislation into one of the three working languages of the Convention; or
 - iii) enacted legislation and a translation of this legislation into one of the three working languages of the Convention.
- 13.xx In accordance with the action plans agreed with the Secretariat, Nigeria and Paraguay should enact adequate legislation for implementation of the Convention by the 53rd meeting of the Standing Committee.
- 13.xx The following Parties and dependent territories should enact adequate legislation for implementation of the Convention by 30 September 2006: Albania; Aruba (NL); Azerbaijan; Bailiwick of Guernsey (GB); Bailiwick of Jersey (GB); Bermuda (GB); Bhutan; British Indian Ocean Territory (GB); British Virgin Islands (GB); Cayman Islands (GB); Croatia; Falkland Islands (Islas Malvinas)*; French Polynesia (FR); Greenland (DK); Iceland; Ireland; Kuwait; the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya; Lithuania; Macao Special Administrative Region (CN); Mayotte (FR); Montserrat (UK); Netherlands Antilles (NL); New Caledonia (FR); Qatar; Republic of Moldova; Sao Tome and Principe; Serbia and Montenegro; Slovenia; the Syrian Arab Republic; the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; and Wallis and Futuna Islands (FR).

Directed to the Standing Committee

- 13.xx With respect to Parties and dependent territories that do not comply with Decisions 13.xx, 13.xx or 13.xx, or decisions of the Standing Committee in relation to national laws for implementation of the Convention, the Standing Committee shall consider appropriate measures, which may include restrictions on the commercial trade in specimens of CITES-listed species to and from such Parties.