

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

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Interpretation and implementation of the Convention

Amendment of the Appendices

PROPOSAL TO AMEND APPENDICES I AND II

1. This document has been prepared by the Secretariat.
2. In accordance with Paragraph XV, Article I of the Convention, and following the results of the sixth dialogue meeting of African elephant range States, (Bangkok, September 2004) the Secretariat is now in a position to provide to the Parties its final recommendations about the proposals to amend the Appendices related to *Loxodonta africana* (the African elephant) which will be considered at CoP13.
3. **Proposal 7**  
***Loxodonta africana* (Appendix II) – Amendment of the annotation regarding the population of Namibia to include:**
  - an annual export quota of 2,000 kg of raw ivory (accumulated from natural and management-related mortalities);
  - trade in worked ivory products for commercial purposes; and
  - trade in elephant leather and hair goods for commercial purposes.**(Namibia)**

Recommendation by the Secretariat

As indicated in its earlier comments, the Secretariat has concerns about the conditionality of the Namibian proposal as presently drafted. However, should it be amended to the effect that the proposed annual quota of 2,000 kg (accumulated from natural and management-related mortalities) would only be allowed after the safeguards already agreed by the Conference of the Parties have been satisfactorily met, then the Secretariat could support the proposal. Concerning trade in worked ivory products, the suggestion by the Namibian delegation at the sixth dialogue meeting of African elephant range States that their proposal be limited to trade in individually marked and certified ekipas incorporated in finished jewelry items for commercial purposes would provide extra safeguards. All aspects of Resolution Conf. 9.24 (Rev. CoP12) are clearly met with respect to the Namibian population of *Loxodonta africana*.

If the proposal is reworded so that the annotation to the current Appendix-II listing for the Namibian population of *Loxodonta africana* is amended as per the Annex to this document, then the Secretariat would recommend that the proposal be adopted.

#### 4. Proposal 8

*Loxodonta africana* (Appendix II) – Amendment of the annotation regarding the population of South Africa to allow trade in leather goods for commercial purposes.  
(South Africa)

##### Recommendation by the Secretariat

The Secretariat is satisfied that the requirements of Resolution Conf. 9.24 (Rev. CoP12) are met and has noted that at the sixth dialogue meeting of African elephant range States, delegates supported this proposal.

The Secretariat recommends that this proposal be adopted.

Revised annotation for *Loxodonta africana*/Namibia

Deletions in ~~strikeout~~, additions in **bold**

For the exclusive purpose of allowing:

1. trade in hunting trophies for non-commercial purposes;
2. trade in live animals for *in situ* conservation programmes;
3. trade in hides;
4. trade in leather **and hair** goods for ~~non~~-commercial purposes;
5. **trade in individually marked and certified ekipas incorporated in finished jewelry items for commercial purposes**
6. trade in registered raw ivory (whole tusks and pieces) subject to the following:
  - i) only registered government-owned stocks, originating in the State (excluding seized ivory and ivory of unknown origin);
  - ii) only to trading partners that have been verified by the Secretariat, in consultation with the Standing Committee, to have sufficient national legislation and domestic trade controls to ensure that the imported ivory will not be re-exported and will be managed in accordance with all requirements of Resolution Conf. 10.10 (Rev. CoP12) concerning domestic manufacturing and trade;
  - iii) ~~not before May 2004, and in any event~~ not before the Secretariat has verified the prospective importing countries, and the MIKE programme has reported to the Secretariat on the baseline information (e.g. elephant population numbers, incidence of illegal killing);
  - iv) a maximum of 10,000 kg of ivory may be traded, and despatched in a single shipment under strict supervision of the Secretariat;
  - v) the proceeds of the trade are used exclusively for elephant conservation and community conservation and development programmes within or adjacent to the elephant range;
  - vi) only after the Standing Committee has agreed that the above conditions have been met.
7. **Not before one year after the trade referred to in 6 iv) has taken place, an annual export quota of a maximum of 2,000 kg of raw ivory (accumulated from natural and management-related mortalities) subject to the conditions of paragraph 6 i) to iii) and v) and vi) above**

On a proposal from the Secretariat, the Standing Committee can decide to cause ~~this~~ trade **referred to in 6 iv) and 7)** to cease partially or completely in the event of non-compliance by exporting or importing countries, or in the case of proven detrimental impacts of the trade on other elephant populations.

All other specimens shall be deemed to be specimens of species included in Appendix I and the trade in them shall be regulated accordingly.