

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



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Committee II

Effectiveness of the CITES Universal Crocodile Tagging System

Trade in some crocodile specimens

DRAFT DECISION OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

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Directed to the Standing Committee

- 14.xx The Standing Committee shall, at its 57th meeting, initiate a process to review the implementation and effectiveness of the Universal Tagging System and the trade in small crocodilian leather goods, including their impact on the effectiveness of the Convention. For that purpose, it shall establish a working group with representatives from exporting and importing countries, the Animals Committee, the Secretariat and other interested parties. The tasks of the working group, which might work electronically, shall be:
- a) To examine the implementation and effectiveness of the Universal Tagging System;
 - b) To examine the implementation and effectiveness of issuing CITES documents for small crocodilian leather goods and related trade controls;
 - c) To consider possible ways and conditions to alleviate the administrative burden related to trade in small crocodilian leather goods and to guarantee the legal origin of the specimens; and
 - d) To report to the Standing Committee on the results of its work at its 58th meeting (2009).
- 14.xx The Standing Committee shall, at its 58th meeting, consider the report of the working group established under Decision 14.xx and shall submit recommendations, as appropriate, to the Conference of the Parties for consideration at its 15th meeting.