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IDENTIFICATION MANUAL

1. This document has been prepared by the Secretariat.
2. At its 11th meeting (CoP11, Gigiri, 2000), the Conference of the Parties adopted Resolution Conf. 11.19, transferring the responsibility for the publication of the Identification Manual to the Secretariat.
3. As required in that Resolution, the Secretariat regularly reports at meetings of the Standing, Animals and Plants Committees. This document is a summary of the reports since CoP13 (Bangkok, 2004) and provides an overview of the current status of the Identification Manual.
4. The Secretariat would like to remind Parties that have successfully submitted proposals to include new species in the Appendices that they are exhorted to provide appropriate data for inclusion in the Identification Manual (see Resolution Conf. 11.19). These Parties are listed in paragraphs 10 and 11 below.
5. Since 1979, an increasing number of Parties have submitted draft data sheets. The main contributors have been Switzerland, followed by Australia, Canada, France, Germany, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.
6. The English version of the Identification Manual is the most complete to date, as sheets are generally submitted in English. The current state of production of the English manual for Fauna is 1,737 species sheets, 202 information sheets and 193 sheets on parts and derivatives. The current state of production of the English manual for Flora is 167 species sheets, 20 information sheets, and four sheets on parts and derivatives. Translation of sheets into French and Spanish is ongoing, but progress has been limited by a lack of funds for this purpose.
7. The database on all published sheets of the Identification Manual has been completed. By early 2007 all Identification Manual sheets will be accessible from the CITES website. The database provides for the selection of sheets by language, country, Appendix, family, genus or species. With the completion of the on-line database, the Secretariat will no longer systematically publish paper versions of the Identification Manual sheets. The Secretariat is also investigating the possibility of producing the Identification manual in stand-alone CD-ROM or DVD format. However, printed versions of the Identification Manual will continue to be provided to new Parties and upon request from any Party.
8. The Secretariat is seeking to improve the usability of the electronic Identification Manual and facilitate its use as an identification resource, and, *inter alia*, include links to the UNEP-WCMC species database and other online sources of information.

9. The following sheets, in alphabetical order, are in preparation for publication:

<i>Amyda cartilaginea</i>	(submitted by Switzerland)
<i>Carettochelys insculpta</i>	(submitted by Switzerland)
<i>Chelodina mccordi</i>	(submitted by Switzerland)
<i>Chitra vandijki</i>	(submitted by Switzerland)
<i>Malayemys subtrijuga</i>	(submitted by Switzerland)
<i>Notochelys platynota</i>	(submitted by Switzerland)
<i>Pelochelys signifera</i>	(submitted by Switzerland).

10. The list below indicates the Parties that still have to submit information for the Identification Manual, together with the names of the species concerned included in Appendix I or II and the meeting at which they were included. (For proposals submitted jointly, any of the proponents may submit the Identification Manual sheets; not included in the list are proponent Parties for which sheets have been prepared by other Parties.)

Fauna

Denmark:	<i>Pseudoryx nghetinhensis</i> (CoP9)
Ecuador:	Trochilidae spp. (CoP6)
Fiji:	<i>Cheilinus undulatus</i> (CoP13)
France:	<i>Mantella</i> spp. (CoP11)
Germany:	Acipenseriformes (CoP10)
Ghana:	<i>Pandinus dictator</i> , <i>P. gambiensis</i> , <i>P. imperator</i> (CoP9)
Ireland:	<i>Cheilinus undulatus</i> (CoP13)
Israel:	Stony corals, remaining taxa; (CoP7)
Italy:	<i>Lithophaga lithophaga</i> (CoP13)
Madagascar:	<i>Uroplatus</i> spp. (CoP13)
Netherlands:	<i>Dyscophus antongilii</i> (CoP6); <i>Phyllobates</i> spp. (CoP6); <i>Terrapene</i> spp. (CoP9); <i>Achatinella</i> spp. (CoP6); <i>Bufo periglenes</i> (CoP9), <i>Mantella</i> spp. (CoP11)
Niger:	<i>Addax nasomaculatus</i> (CoP4); <i>Oryx dammah</i> (CoP4); <i>Gazella dama</i> (CoP4)
Paraguay:	<i>Pteroglossus aracari</i> , <i>P. viridis</i> , <i>Ramphastos sulfuratus</i> , <i>R. toco</i> , <i>R. tucanus</i> , <i>R. vitellinus</i> . (CoP8); <i>Dracaena guianensis</i> , <i>D. paraguayensis</i> (CoP7)
Slovenia:	<i>Lithophaga lithophaga</i> (CoP13)
Suriname:	<i>Dendrobates</i> spp. (CoP6)
United States of America:	<i>Pteropus</i> spp. (CoP6 and CoP7); <i>Phrynosoma coronatum</i> (CoP8); <i>Polyodon spathula</i> (CoP8); <i>Terrapene</i> spp. (CoP9); <i>Saiga tatarica</i> (CoP9); <i>Strombus gigas</i> (CoP8); <i>Mantella</i> spp. (CoP11)
Uruguay:	<i>Pseudalopex gymnocercus</i> (CoP6)
Viet Nam:	<i>Megamuntiacus vuquanghensis</i> (CoP9)

Flora

Botswana:	<i>Hoodia</i> spp. (CoP13)
China:	<i>Taxus chinensis</i> , <i>T. cuspidata</i> , <i>T. fuana</i> , <i>T. sumatrana</i> (CoP13)
Indonesia:	<i>Aquilaria</i> spp., <i>Gyrinops</i> spp., <i>Gonystylus</i> spp. (CoP13)
Namibia:	<i>Hoodia</i> spp. (CoP13)
Netherlands:	<i>Cyclamen</i> spp., <i>Galanthus</i> spp., <i>Sternbergia</i> spp.
Thailand:	<i>Euphorbia</i> 'Mili', artificially propagated specimens of crested, fan-shaped or color mutants of <i>Euphorbia lactea</i> (CoP13)
South Africa:	<i>Hoodia</i> spp. (CoP13)
United States:	<i>Taxus chinensis</i> , <i>T. cuspidata</i> , <i>T. fuana</i> , <i>T. sumatrana</i> (CoP13).

11. The following Parties have included species in Appendix III but not submitted identification sheets for them:

Fauna

- Argentina: *Baillonius bailloni*, *Pteroglossus castanotis*, *Ramphastos dicolorus*, *Selenidera maculirostris*
- Canada: *Odobenus rosmarus*
- China: *Chinemys megaloccephala*, *C. nigricans*, *C. reevesii*, *Geoemyda spengleri*, *Mauremys iversoni*, *M. pritchardi*, *Ocadia glyphistoma*, *O. philippeni*, *O. sinensis*, *Sacalia bealei*, *S. pseudocellata*, *S. quadriocellata*, *Palea steindachneri*, *Pelodiscus axenaria*, *P. maackii*, *P. parviformis*, *Rafetus swinhoei*
- Colombia: *Semnornis ramphastinus*, *Cephalopterus ornatus*, *C. penduliger*
- Guatemala: *Tamandua mexicana*, *Mazama americana cerasina*, *Odocoileus virginianus mayensis*
- Honduras: *Sphiggurus mexicanus*, *Agouti paca*, *Dasyprocta punctata*, *Nasua narica*, *Sarcoramphus papa*
- India: *Marmota caudata*, *M. himalayana*, *Canis aureus*, *Vulpes bengalensis*, *V. vulpes griffithi*, *V. v. montana*, *V. v. pusilla*, *Martes flavigula*, *M. foina intermedia*, *M. gwatkinsii*, *Mustela altaica*, *M. erminea ferghanae*, *M. kathiah*, *M. nigripes*, *M. sibirica*, *Arctictis binturong*, *Herpestes brachyurus fuscus*, *H. edwardsii*, *H. javanicus auropunctatus*, *H. smithii*, *H. urva*, *H. vitticollis*
- Malaysia: *Arborophila orientalis*
- Mauritius: *Bebrornis rodericanus*, *Terpsiphone bourbonnensis*
- South Africa: *Colophon barnardi*, *C. berrisfordi*, *C. cameroni*, *C. cassoni*, *C. eastmani*, *C. haughtoni*, *C. izardi*, *C. kawaii*, *C. montisatris*, *C. neli*, *C. oweni*, *C. primosi*, *C. stokoei*, *C. thunbergi*, *C. westwoodi*, *C. whitei*
- United States: *Macrolemys temminckii*, *Graptemys barbouri*, *G. caglei*, *G. ernsti*, *G. flavimaculata*, *G. geographica*, *G. gibbonsi*, *G. nigrinoda*, *G. oculifera*, *G. ouachitensis*, *G. pseudogeographica*, *G. pulcra*, *G. versa*
- Uruguay: *Sphiggurus spinosus*

Flora

- Costa Rica: *Dipteryx panamensis*
- Nepal: *Gnetum montanum*, *Magnolia liliifera* var. *obovata*, *Meconopsis regia*, *Tetracentron sinense*.

12. The Secretariat is grateful for the support received from Parties for the preparation of Identification Manual sheets.