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

Seventeenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties
Johannesburg (South Africa), 24 September – 5 October 2016

Summary record of the twelfth session of Committee II

3 October 2016: 09h15 - 09h30

Chair: J. Barzdo (Switzerland)

Secretariat: D. Morgan
M. Sosa Schmidt
B. Janse van Rensburg

Rapporteurs: F. Davis
E. King

Interpretation and implementation matters

Trade control and traceability

48. Identification of specimens in trade

48.1. Timber identification

The United Nations Office for Drugs and Crime introduced document CoP17 Doc. 48.1, Annex 2 to which contained draft decisions, after it had been presented by the Secretariat. The Secretariat had proposed an amendment to one of these decisions.

The European Union and its member States welcomed the initiative. They proposed the addition of and building on information on existing initiatives previously made available to Parties after “with relevant stakeholders,” in the second heading of draft decision 17.x2. In the second sub-paragraph b) of the same draft decision, noting that the Secretariat had proposed replacing “Work with” with “Encourage”, the Chair suggested deleting “under Decision 17.x1”.

The draft decisions in Annex 2 to document CoP17 Doc. 48.1, as amended by the Secretariat in the document and by the European Union and the Chair were agreed.

Species specific matters

73. Tortoises and freshwater turtles (Testudines spp.)

The United States of America introduced document CoP17 Com. II. 15 containing draft decisions which were agreed, as was deletion of Decisions 16.119 and 16.120.
Strategic matters

14. Cooperation with organizations and multilateral environmental agreements

14.1 Cooperation with other biodiversity related conventions

On behalf of the working group established by the Committee on this matter at an earlier session, the Secretariat introduced document CoP17 Com. II. 21 containing draft decisions which were agreed.

The meeting was adjourned at 09h30.