

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



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The Permanent Mission of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka to the United Nations Office at Geneva and to other International Organizations in Switzerland presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES), and has the honour to convey the intent of the Government of Sri Lanka to host the 18th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to CITES (CoP18), in Colombo, Sri Lanka, in 2019, as an expression of its long standing commitment to the implementation of the agreements under the CITES.

To facilitate the process of formalizing this offer, the Permanent Mission of Sri Lanka on behalf of the Government of Sri Lanka wishes to request the CITES Secretariat that this TPN be added to the information document of the CoP17 as an indication of Sri Lanka's intent to be the host of CoP18 in 2019.

The Permanent Mission of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka to the United Nations Office at Geneva and to other International Organizations in Switzerland avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretariat of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES), the assurance of its highest consideration.



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in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES)
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