

Consultation workshop on the regulation of trade in CITES specimens of captive-bred and ranched source

Organized by the CITES Secretariat and UNEP-WCMC

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The David Attenborough Building, Pembroke St, Cambridge CB2 3QY, United Kingdom

Moderator: Carolina Caceres (Canada)

Agenda

Day 1: Wednesday, 29 March

9.00 Welcome and introductions

Neville Ash, UNEP-WCMC; David Morgan, CITES Secretariat

Introduction of participants

9.20 Aims and objectives of the workshop

Based on a brief introduction by the CITES Secretariat, participants will be invited to take note of the aims and objectives as well as expected results of the workshop.

9.30 CITES captive-breeding and ranching: An overview

The regulation of trade in captive-bred and ranched specimens under CITES has evolved since the adoption of the Convention – most recently with the adoption of Resolution Conf. 17.7 on Review of trade in animal specimens reported as produced in captivity. The CITES Secretariat will provide a brief overview of this regulation to facilitate the discussions during the workshop.

10.00 Implementation of Stage 1 a) and b) of Resolution Conf. 17.7 on Review of trade in animal specimens reported as produced in captivity

Resolution Conf. 17.7 establishes a set of criteria for identifying country-species combinations for review by the Animals and Standing Committee. Based on a brief overview of the six criteria, the aim of this session is to understand how the criteria capture the “real-world” challenges that Parties are facing in relation to trade in captive-bred specimens. To inform this discussion UNEP-WCMC are inviting participants to submit their input in advance of the workshop.

a) Summary of real-world challenges in relation to trade in captive-bred specimens addressed by Resolution Conf. 17.7, as identified by participants in advance

b) Overview of the new criteria - what challenges can be addressed by the criteria in Resolution Conf. 17.7

11.00 Coffee

11.15 Selection criteria

It is proposed that the six criteria in paragraph 2 a) of the Resolution will be discussed in three sessions. Each session will be based on an introductory presentation by UNEP-WCMC on the methods and provisional output when applying the criteria. A number of questions and topics will be raised for discussion. Participants will be invited to discuss the criteria and the questions in small break-out groups. Each session will be concluded with feedback and discussion on finalising methods as well as the provisional output, any required contextual information and any issues identified for each criterion.

Selection criteria i, ii and iii: Significant increase/High Volume/Shifts and fluctuations

12.45 Lunch

13.45 Selection criteria iv and v: Source code inconsistencies/incorrect application of source codes

15.00 Coffee

15.15 Criterion vi: Lawful acquisition of founder breeding stock

16.15 Wrap up discussion on six criteria (Chair)

Following the three sessions on the individual criteria in paragraph 2 a) of Resolution Conf. 17.7, participants will be invited to provide any additional general comments on the proposed “filters” as well as on paragraph 2 b) of the Resolution on “any other relevant information”

17.15 Close

18.30 Dinner, St Catherine’s College

Day 2: Thursday, 30 March

9.00 Implementation of paragraph 2 a) and b) of Resolution Conf. 17.7 - continued.

Final wrap-up of refinement of methods for paragraphs a) and b) of Resolution Conf. 17.7

11.00 Coffee

11.15 Presentation and discussion of the publication *Guidance for inspection of captive breeding and ranching facilities* produced under former Decision 16.63 a vii)

Based on a presentation by IUCN on the Guidance, participants will be invited to comment and discuss the use and usefulness of the material.

12.45 Lunch

13.45 Presentation and discussion of the publication *Application of CITES Source Codes* produced under former Decision 15.52

Based on a presentation by IUCN on the Guidance, participants will be invited to comment and discuss the use and usefulness of the material.

14.15 Discussion of the use and distribution of the IUCN publications, and capacity building needs identified (in relation to Decision 17.102)

CoP Decision 17.102 requests the Secretariat to engage in capacity-building activities in all regions and involving a variety of taxa. Participants will be invited to discuss the implementation of this decision, including how to best use the two IUCN publications, as well as other capacity-building needs and tools.

15.00 Coffee

15.15 Reflections and discussion on the implementation of Decision 17.101 (relating to application of resolutions addressing trade in captive-bred and ranched specimens)

CoP Decision 17.101 requests the Secretariat to review ambiguities and inconsistencies in the application of Article VII, paragraphs 4 and 5 as well as the six Resolutions relevant to trade in specimens using source codes R, F, D and C. During the session, participants will be invited to discuss the “bigger picture” of trade in such specimens and provide any input and guidance to the review to be undertaken by the Secretariat which is to be presented to the Standing Committee for its consideration.

17.00 Close