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



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Review of the Appendices

APPENDIX-I CACTACEAE

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CITES Management & Scientific Authorities (Flora) of Bolivia, Brazil, Mexico, Paraguay and the United States of America

Review of the CITES Appendices on behalf of the Plants Committee Consultation of Range States

Dear colleagues

At the 9th Meeting of the Plants Committee (PC) of CITES (1999), the PC trusted the CITES Management Authority (MA) of Switzerland with the review of several species of *Cacataceae*, that are presently listed in Appendix I. Consequently and according to Res. Conf. 11.1, the Swiss MA sent a document to the Management and Scientific Authorities of all range states concerned (as listed above) in January 2000. Copies were provided to the CITES Sectretariat and to the Chair of the Plants Committee, and additionally to certain experts, such as the Species Survival Commission of IUCN. The document contained for all species under review (see Annex):

- (a) the year and proponent of Appendix I listing
- (b) a summary of the statement of the original proposal, justifying Appendix I listing
- (c) a compilation of scientific synonyms
- (d) a summary of all data of registered trade in wild-collected specimens, as provided by WCMC
- (e) some preliminary comments on registered trade, as approved by WCMC

Statements of the range States about the actual status of wild populations and the impact of international trade were seeked, as well as a preliminary assessment by the range States, whether the present listing of these species in Appendix I is adequate according to the criteria of Res. Conf. 9.24.

Up to date, the CITES Authorities of the United States of America have responded, whereas statements of Bolivia, Brazil, Mexico and Paraguay are still wanting. This present state of the review will be reported now to the PC, at its 10th meeting (Shepherdstown, West Virginia, United States of America, 11-15 December 2000), through this letter.

The further proceeding of this review will be now as follows: Statements of range States, that have not yet responded, are urgently seeked in order to allow the PC to conduct the review in full knowledge their data and assessements, according to Res. Conf. 8.21.

The final report will be prepared by the Swiss MA before the 11th Meeting of the PC and submitted to the Authorities of the range States and to the PC. All data that are received at least 90 days earlyer, can be incorporated in the final report.

If statements of range States should still be missing at the time of 330 days before the sceduled meeting of the next Conference of the Parties, then the Swiss MA would ask the Secretariat to consult the Parties according to Res. Conf. 8.21. The PC would then be able to prepare proposals, as appropriate, to the Conference of the Parties.

We would like to thank, in the name of the PC, for the valuable contributions received so far.

Kind regards, yours sincerely

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Annex: Taxa under Review, as agreed by the Plants Committee at its 9th Meeting

Taxon	App. I-listing	Proposal	Range States
Aztekium ritteri	6.6.81	USA	Mexico
Obregonia denegrii	6.6.81	USA	Mexico
Coryphantha werdermannii	29.7.83	USA	Mexico
Mammillaria pectinifera	29.7.83	USA	Mexico
Mammillaria solisioides	29.7.83	USA	Mexico
Strombocactus spp.	29.7.83	USA	Mexico
Astrophytum asterias	22.10.87	USA	Mexico, USA
Discocactus spp.	11.6.92	Brasil	Bolivia, Brazil, Paraguay
Melocactus conoideus	11.6.92	Brazil	Brazil
Melocactus deinacanthus	11.6.92	Brazil	Brazil
Melocactus glaucescens	11.6.92	Brazil	Brazil
Melocactus paucispinus	11.6.92	Brazil	Brazil

Cc Plants Committee, Chair, Dra. Margarita Clemente Muñoz CITES Secretariat, Dr. Ger Van Vliet