



NOTIFICATION TO THE PARTIES

No. 2018/066

Geneva, 4 July 2018

CONCERNING:

Humphead wrasse (*Cheilinus undulatus*)

1. At its 17th meeting (CoP17, Johannesburg, 2016), the Conference of the Parties adopted and renewed several Decisions on *Humphead wrasse* (*Cheilinus undulatus*), including the following:

15.87 (Rev. CoP17) Directed to the Standing Committee

The Standing Committee shall:

- a) *review the actions taken by relevant Parties to implement the Appendix-II listing of the humphead wrasse;*
- b) *consider whether it is necessary to ask range States and importing States to provide further information on their actions taken to ensure the effective implementation of the Convention regarding trade in this species;*
- c) *develop, as appropriate, recommendations for improving the regulation of international trade in the humphead wrasse, and the enforcement of controls, to ensure the effectiveness of the Appendix-II listing of the species; and*
- d) *report its conclusions and recommendations for any appropriate follow-up actions at the 18th meeting of the Conference of the Parties.*

16.139 (Rev. CoP17) Directed to Parties

To implement effectively the Appendix-II listing of the humphead wrasse, Parties should:

- a) *use existing documents listed in paragraph 13 of document CoP16 Doc. 62 (Rev. 1) in their implementation of the Appendix-II listing of the humphead wrasse; and*
- b) *investigate reported violations of the Convention and of related national laws in relation to trade in the humphead wrasse, and take appropriate enforcement actions in accordance with their national legislation.*

In addition, range States and importing Parties should strengthen bilateral and regional cooperation, including intelligence exchange and enforcement actions.

17.202 Directed to the Secretariat

*The Secretariat shall report on the implementation of the decisions on humphead wrasse (*Cheilinus undulatus*) at the 69th or 70th meeting of the Standing Committee.*

2. At its 69th meeting, the Standing Committee discussed the report of the Secretariat concerning the implementation of CoP17 Decisions on *Humphead wrasse* (*Cheilinus undulatus*) (see document SC69 Doc. 48). The Standing Committee requested the Secretariat to issue a further Notification to request Parties to share information on national regulation in place on the management, conservation and trade in humphead wrasse prior to the 70th meeting of the Standing Committee (Rosa Khutor, Sochi, October 2018).
3. The Secretariat would welcome any responses by Parties to this Notification by **27 July 2018** at the latest, so they can form part of the Secretariat's report to the Standing Committee at SC70. Responses should be sent to: radisavljevicd@un.org.