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

NOTIFICATION TO THE PARTIES

No. 2020/073

Geneva, 8 December 2020

CONCERNING:

Intersessional decision-making of the Standing Committee

1. On 19 November 2020, under Rule 20 of the Committee’s Rules of Procedure, the Chair of the Standing Committee recommended to the Committee the adoption of two recommendations made by the Committee’s Finance & Budget Subcommittee (FBSC) as follows:
   a) take note of the financial report for 2020 as at 30 September for the Core Trust Fund (CTL) and projected savings for the year 2020; and
   b) approve the transfer of resources in the amount of USD 280,700 from 2020 related to AC, PC and SC meetings for possible organization of these meetings during 2021, on a one-time exceptional basis, from the expected 2020 savings under the meeting related components.

2. The background to the FBSC’s recommendation can be found in a report of its meeting of 15 October 2020 which is available on the CITES website.

3. In accordance with Rule 20.1 of the Committee’s Rules of Procedure, the Secretariat invites Parties to provide comments on the two recommendations made by the Committee’s Finance & Budget Subcommittee (FBSC) to the Standing Committee Member(s) of their Region for submission to the Secretariat by 29 December 2020. Contact details for the Members of the Standing Committee can be found on the CITES website.

4. Before this date, Parties have the opportunity to consult with relevant authorities, agencies and stakeholders with an interest in the matters covered by the two proposed intersessional Working Groups as indicated above.

5. After 29 December 2020, the Standing Committee Chair, with the assistance of the Secretariat, will submit the recommendation (revised, if appropriate, in the light of the comments received) to the Committee for final decision.

6. Members may object to the recommendation (or revised versions of the recommendation should that be the case) within 25 days of it being submitted to them. If there are no objections received by the Secretariat within the deadline, then the recommendation will be considered as adopted.

7. If any Member objects to the recommendation (or revised recommendation should that be the case) within the 25-day period, then the matter will be put to a vote by the Members in accordance with Rule 20.4 of the Rules of Procedure.