NOTIFICATION TO THE PARTIES

No. 2022/078

CONCERNING:

CITES cheetah trade resource kit

1. The purpose of the present Notification is to inform Parties that the CITES cheetah trade resource kit has been made available on the CITES Secretariat website Cheetah webpage, in accordance with Decision 18.193 on the Cheetah trade resource kit (Acinonyx jubatus).

2. The resource kit includes guidance on How to use CITES cheetah trade resource kit, and sections that covers the following topics:
   a) Identification guides;
   b) Reporting a seizure;
   c) First response care guide for seized live cheetahs;
   d) Long-term captive care and management guide;
   e) DNA sampling guidelines;
   f) Disposal of dead cheetahs and cheetah products;
   g) Veterinary care;
   h) Resources and national carnivore coordinators; and
   i) Glossary.

3. The resource kit also includes an additional information section, that provides:
   a) Background information; and
   b) Cheetah necropsy guidelines.

4. In addition, the resource kit includes eight cheetah factsheets providing a concise summary of key information on the topics highlighted above. Further, a poster is provided that includes information on what to do if you find a live cheetah or other cheetah specimens suspected to be illegally traded.
5. The resource kit, factsheets and poster are available in printable format, and in English only. As agreed by the Standing Committee at its 71st meeting (SC71, Geneva, 2019), Parties affected by illegal trade in cheetahs are encouraged to translate the resource kit into their national language, where needed.

6. The CITES cheetah trade resource kit, factsheets and poster provide comprehensive information and Parties are encouraged to draw upon these valuable resources and bring them to the attention of relevant national authorities.