

# NOTIFICATION TO THE PARTIES

No. 2023/034

Geneva, 23 March 2023

CONCERNING:

Implementation of Resolution Conf. 12.8 (Rev. CoP18) on  
Review of Significant Trade in specimens of Appendix-II species:  
Recommendations of the Standing Committee

1. In the context of the Review of Significant Trade in specimens of Appendix-II species, the Standing Committee regularly recommends trade suspensions for countries that it has determined to have failed to implement Article IV of the Convention. The Secretariat last published the list of countries and species affected by these recommendations following the 74th meeting of the Standing Committee (SC74, Lyon, March 2022) in Notification to the Parties No. [2022/028](#) of 28 April 2022.
2. In addition to the updates reported in Notification to the Parties No. 2022/028, the Standing Committee, at SC74, had recommended that the suspension of trade in *Pterogyra simplex* and *P. sinuosa* from Fiji; and *Kinyongia fischeri* and *K. tavetana* from the United Republic of Tanzania could be withdrawn, subject to the publication of zero export quotas. The Secretariat wrote to both Parties on 20 April 2022 but had received no response at the time of publication of the notification. Therefore, the recommendations to suspend trade were retained at that time.
3. The Secretariat wrote to both Parties again on 2 February 2023 and received confirmation of the zero export quotas. The recommendations to suspend trade in *Pterogyra simplex* and *P. sinuosa* from Fiji; and *Kinyongia fischeri* and *K. tavetana* from the United Republic of Tanzania have therefore been withdrawn in accordance with the Standing Committee instructions. Recalling the provisions of paragraph k) i) of Resolution Conf. 12.8 (Rev. CoP18) on *Review of Significant Trade in specimens of Appendix-II species*, it is noted that any change to these zero quotas should be communicated to the Secretariat and Chair of the Animals Committee along with a justification (including an NDF), for their agreement.
4. At the 19th meeting of the Conference of the Parties (CoP19, Panama, November 2022), the Parties adopted changes to the *Tridacna* nomenclatural references, such that *Tridacna ningaloo* is no longer recognized as a separate species, but as a synonym of *T. noae*. The RST-related suspensions of trade in *Tridacna* spp. from Solomon Islands have been amended to reflect this.
5. Parties are reminded that the complete list of Parties subject to a recommendation to suspend trade is available on the CITES website under [Documents / Trade suspensions](#).
6. Parties are requested to inform their enforcement and Customs authorities of the availability of the list of trade suspension recommendations on the CITES website in order to avoid the inadvertent acceptance of specimens of species subject to such a recommendation. Parties that require the

issuance of import permits for trade in specimens of Appendix-II species are also encouraged to consult the list when processing applications.

7. The present Notification replaces Notification to the Parties No. 2022/028 of 28 April 2022.

Recommendations of the Standing Committee, made in accordance with Resolution Conf. 12.8 (Rev. CoP18), to suspend trade in the affected species with the range States concerned<sup>1</sup>

Range State	Taxa	Date of Standing Committee recommendation	Date of first Notification to the Parties
<b>Belize</b>	<i>Myrmecophila tibicinis</i>	SC59, March 2010	15 June 2010
<b>Benin</b>	<i>Pandinus imperator</i>	SC63, March 2013	2 May 2013
	<i>Chamaeleo gracilis</i>	SC66, January 2016	15 March 2016
	<i>Chamaeleo senegalensis</i>	SC66, January 2016	15 March 2016
	<i>Kinixys homeana</i>	SC66, January 2016	15 March 2016
<b>Cameroon</b>	<i>Triceros quadricornis</i>	SC66, January 2016	15 March 2016
	<i>Triceros montium</i>	SC70, October 2018	6 May 2019
<b>Côte d'Ivoire</b>	<i>Pericopsis elata</i>	SC62, July 2012	7 September 2012
<b>Democratic Republic of the Congo</b>	<i>Poicephalus fuscicollis</i> <sup>2</sup>	SC45, June 2001	9 July 2001
<b>Equatorial Guinea</b>	<i>Triceros feae</i> <sup>3</sup>	SC62, July 2012	7 September 2012
	<i>Prunus africana</i>	SC57, July 2008 (with effect from 1 January 2009)	3 February 2009
<b>Ghana</b>	<i>Pandinus imperator</i>	SC65, July 2014	12 August 2014
	<i>Chamaeleo gracilis</i>	SC66, January 2016	15 March 2016
	<i>Chamaeleo senegalensis</i>	SC66, January 2016	15 March 2016
<b>Grenada</b>	<i>Strombus gigas</i>	Intersessional decision, September 2003	12 May 2006
<b>Guinea</b>	<i>Hippocampus algiricus</i>	SC66, January 2016	15 March 2016
<b>Haiti (Non-Party)</b>	<i>Strombus gigas</i>	Intersessional decision, September 2003	29 September 2003
<b>Lao People's Democratic Republic</b>	<i>Dendrobium nobile</i>	SC57, July 2008 (with effect from 1 January 2009)	3 February 2009
<b>Madagascar</b>	<i>Coracopsis vasa</i>	SC32, November 1994	20 January 1995
	<i>Furcifer labordi</i> <sup>4</sup>	SC32, November 1994	20 January 1995

<sup>1</sup> Recommendations made by the Standing Committee under the Review of Significant Trade only concern trade covered by Article IV of the Convention (i.e. the export, re-export or introduction from the sea of specimens of species included in Appendix II), and not Article VII (the latter including specimens of animal species bred in captivity or of plant species propagated artificially).

<sup>2</sup> Formerly *Poicephalus robustus*.

<sup>3</sup> Formerly *Chamaeleo* spp.

<sup>4</sup> The Standing Committee recommended to suspend trade in *Calumma* spp. and *Furcifer* spp. from Madagascar, with the exception of *Calumma* *amber*, *C. ambreense*, *C. andringitraense*, *C. boettgeri*, *C. brevicorne*, *C. capuroni*, *C. crypticum*, *C. cucullatum*, *C. fallax*, *C. furcifer*, *C. gallus*, *C. gastrotaenia*, *C. glawi*, *C. globifer*, *C. guibei*, *C. guillaumeti*, *C. hafahafa*, *C. hilleni*, *C. jeji*, *C. linota*, *C. malthe*, *C. marojezense*, *C. nasutum*, *C. oshaughnessyi*, *C. parsonii*, *C. peltierorum*, *C. peyrierasi*, *C. tarzan*, *C. tsaratananense*, *C. tsyscorne*, *C. vatosoa*, *C. vencesi* and *C. vohibola*; and *Furcifer* *angeli*, *F. antimena*, *F. balteatus*, *F. belalandaensis*, *F. bifidus*, *F. campani*, *F. lateralis*, *F. minor*, *F. monoceras*, *F. nicosiai*, *F. oustaleti*, *F. pardalis*, *F. petteri*, *F. rhinoceros*, *F. timoni*, *F. tuzetae*, *F. verrucosus* and *F. willsii*.

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	<i>Phelsuma borai</i> , <i>P. gouldi</i> , <i>P. hoeschi</i> and <i>P. ravenala</i>	SC32, November 1994	20 January 1995
<b>Mali</b>	<i>Uromastyx dispar</i>	SC57, July 2008	22 August 2008
<b>Mozambique</b>	<i>Smaug mossambicus</i> <sup>5</sup>	SC62, July 2012	7 September 2012
	<i>Cordylus tropidosternum</i>	SC45, June 2001	10 August 2001
<b>Niger</b>	<i>Chamaeleo africanus</i>	SC62, July 2012	7 September 2012
<b>Senegal</b>	<i>Hippocampus algiricus</i>	SC66, January 2016	15 March 2016
<b>Solomon Islands</b>	<i>Corucia zebrata</i>	SC45, June 2001	9 July 2001
	<i>Ornithoptera priamus</i> <sup>6</sup>	SC32, November 1994	20 January 1995
	<i>Ornithoptera victoriae</i>	SC32, November 1994	20 January 1995
	<i>Tridacna derasa</i> , <i>T. crocea</i> , <i>T. gigas</i> , <i>T. maxima</i> , <i>T. noae</i> <sup>7</sup> and <i>T. squamosa</i>	SC66, January 2016	15 March 2016
<b>Togo</b>	<i>Poicephalus fuscicollis</i> <sup>2</sup>	SC45, June 2001	9 July 2001
	<i>Pandinus imperator</i>	SC63, March 2013	2 May 2013
<b>United Republic of Tanzania</b>	<i>Balearica regulorum</i>	SC63, March 2013	2 May 2013

<sup>5</sup> Formerly *Cordylus mossambicus*

<sup>6</sup> Formerly *Ornithoptera urvillianus*

<sup>7</sup> Split from *Tridacna maxima* at CoP17; includes *T. ningaloo* following CoP19.