



NOTIFICATION TO THE PARTIES

No. 2023/076

Geneva, 10 July 2023

CONCERNING:

National laws for the implementation of the Convention

1. In accordance with Decisions [19.60](#) and [19.61](#), at its 77th and 78th meetings, the Standing Committee shall review the progress of Parties in adopting appropriate measures for effective implementation of the Convention and shall take appropriate compliance measures with regard to Parties, including a recommendation to suspend trade with Parties with legislation in Category 2 or 3 that have failed to adopt such appropriate measures, in particular Parties identified as requiring attention as a priority. For Parties that have acceded to the Convention less than eight years ago, the Standing Committee may decide to allow more time to adopt appropriate measures.
2. The 77th meeting of the Standing Committee will be held in Geneva, Switzerland, from 6 to 10 November 2023. Parties with legislation in Category 2 or 3 under the National Legislation Project are urged to provide a written update of the legislative progress for effective implementation of the Convention, to the Secretariat no later than **15 August 2023**. The Annex to the present Notification contains the list of Parties with legislation in Category 2 or 3.
3. Parties that recently acceded to the Convention that have not submitted any relevant information concerning progress made in adopting appropriate legislative measures for effective implementation of the Convention are also invited to provide a written update of their legislative progress.
4. The Secretariat is available to provide legislative advice and assistance to Parties on the development of appropriate measures for effective implementation of the Convention as well as guidance to and training of CITES authorities, legislative drafters, policymakers, parliamentarians and other relevant government officials responsible for the formulation and adoption of CITES-related legislation.
5. The written update of the legislative progress should be submitted by email to deleuil@cites.org together with all relevant information and any request for advice or assistance.

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PARTIES WITH LEGISLATION IN CATEGORY 2 OR 3*

* Parties in **bold** have been identified by the Standing Committee as requiring its attention as a priority. For further details, please see the updated legislative status table on the [CITES website](#).

Parties with legislation in Category 2	Parties with legislation in Category 3
<p>Algeria Antigua and Barbuda Azerbaijan Bangladesh Belarus Benin Bosnia and Herzegovina Botswana Burkina Faso Burundi Chad Congo Ecuador Eritrea Gabon The Gambia Guinea India Kazakhstan Kenya Kyrgyzstan Mali Mongolia Montenegro Mozambique Myanmar Nepal Niger North Macedonia Pakistan Philippines Saint Lucia Saint Vincent and the Grenadines Seychelles Sudan Suriname Togo Trinidad and Tobago Tunisia United Republic of Tanzania Uzbekistan Zambia</p>	<p>Afghanistan Armenia Bahrain Belize Bhutan Cabo Verde Central African Republic Comoros Côte d'Ivoire Djibouti Dominica Eswatini Ghana Grenada Iraq Lao People's Democratic Republic Lebanon Lesotho Liberia Libya Maldives Oman Palau Rwanda Samoa Sao Tome and Principe Sierra Leone Somalia Sri Lanka Syrian Arab Republic Uganda</p>