NOTIFICATION TO THE PARTIES

No. 2023/109

Geneva, 8 September 2023

CONCERNING:

World Wildlife Trade Report

1. At its 19th meeting (CoP19, Panama City, 2022), the Conference of the Parties adopted Decision 19.30 and 19.31 on the pilot World Wildlife Trade Report as follows:

   Directed to the Secretariat

   19.30 The Secretariat shall:

   a) issue a Notification to the Parties providing the pilot World Wildlife Trade Report, seeking feedback and views on such a report and the potential utility and drawbacks of producing such a report periodically; and

   b) provide the responses received from the Notification to the Standing Committee and present findings and make recommendations for consideration by the Standing Committee.

   Directed to the Standing Committee, in consultation with the Animals and Plants Committees

   19.31 The Standing Committee shall review the responses to the Notification and the findings and recommendations of the Secretariat, consult with the Animals and Plants Committees as appropriate and make recommendations to the 20th meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

2. In order to facilitate the review by Parties, the pilot World Wildlife Trade Report is now available in the three working languages of the Convention.

3. The Secretariat invites Parties to the Convention to review the pilot report which can found in the Annex to this Notification and provide views on both the benefits and potential drawbacks of producing such a report periodically so that it can compile the responses and make recommendations to the Standing Committee. The background to the pilot World Wildlife Trade Report can be found in document CoP19 Doc. 12.

4. Please address responses to this Notification to Mr. LIU Yuan of the Secretariat at yuan.liu@cites.org by 30 November 2023.