

NOTIFICATION TO THE PARTIES

No. 2024/042

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CONCERNING:

UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA

Temporary suspension of a moratorium for export of captive-bred specimens

1. This Notification is published at the request of the United Republic of Tanzania.
2. In 2016, the United Republic of Tanzania imposed a moratorium on exports of live animals for commercial purposes as part of a stricter domestic measure in accordance with Article XIV of the Convention. When this moratorium came into force, there were facilities that had live animals bred in captivity, born in captivity or captured from the wild. Most of the operators with wildlife at their facilities had contract with customers outside the country. After a thorough assessment of the scope of this moratorium, the government of the United Republic of Tanzania has resolved to allow operators to export all wildlife species that were kept in their facilities at the time when the moratorium came into force in accordance with the provisions of the Convention and applicable national legislation.
3. The United Republic of Tanzania has granted a temporary suspension of the moratorium to allow export of live animals which remained at the ranches, wildlife farms, holding and breeding grounds at the time when the moratorium for export live animals came into force. The permission to export is only granted to operators who held a license to trade in live animals in 2016.
4. The species covered by this temporary permission are the following:
 - ***Aldabrachelys gigantea*** (Aldabra tortoise) → App. II
 - ***Malacochersus tornieri*** (pancake tortoise) → App. I
 - ***Stigmochelys pardalis*** (leopard tortoise) → App. II
 - ***Kinixys belliana*** (hinged-backed tortoise) → App. II
 - ***Gyps rueppellii*** (Rüppel's vulture) → App. II
 - ***Lophaetus occipitalis*** (long-crested eagle) → App. II
 - ***Aquila rapax*** (tawny eagle) → App. II
 - ***Necrosyrtes monachus*** (hooded vulture) → App. II
 - ***Tauraco hartlaubi*** (Hartlaub's turaco) → App. II
 - ***Sagittarius serpentarius*** (secretary bird) → App. II
 - ***Atheris desaixi*** (bush viper) → App. II
 - ***Felis lybica*** (African wild cat) → App. II

- ***Cordylus tropidosternum*** (East African spiny-tailed lizard) → App. II
- ***Varanus albigularis*** (Southern Savanna monitor lizard) → App. II

5. The individual shipments will be subject to the issuance of a CITES document. The temporary suspension of the moratorium is valid from the date of publication of the Notification until 31 December 2024.