



NOTIFICATION TO THE PARTIES

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CONCERNING:

Availability of the CITES website in the six official languages of the United Nations

- 1. The Secretariat is pleased to inform Parties that the CITES website is now available in all six official languages of the United Nations thanks to funding provided by the Government of Switzerland.
- 2. In accordance with Decision 19.38, the Secretariat used machine translation software (Google Translate) to provide the Arabic, Chinese and Russian versions of the CITES website. Fully aware of the limitations of machine translation, the CITES Secretariat nevertheless hopes that this translation allows a wider audience to access the CITES website.
- 3. The CITES Secretariat is not responsible for incorrect or inaccurate translation and will not be held responsible for any damage or issues that may result from using Google Translate. The original text is the English version of the website. If any questions arise related to the accuracy of the information contained in the translated website, please refer to the English version of the website that is most routinely kept up to date.

Translation of CITES Resolutions into Arabic, Chinese and Russian

- 4. The Secretariat wishes to thank the Government of China that has provided the translation into Chinese of all valid Resolutions and Decisions. The Secretariat notes that these translations were prepared by professional translators, but that it has not had the ability to revise and verify these translations. The Chinese version of the Resolutions and Decisions have been uploaded on the website.
- 5. Thanks to funding provided by the Government of Switzerland, the Secretariat will also translate into Arabic and Russian all valid Resolutions and upload those to the CITES website prior to the next meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

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