



NOTIFICATION TO THE PARTIES

No. 2024/088

Geneva, 12 August 2024

CONCERNING:

Request for information on gulper sharks (*Centrophoridae* spp.)

1. At its 33rd meeting (AC33, Geneva, July 2024), the Animals Committee invited the Secretariat to issue a Notification to the Parties inviting Parties and organizations to provide information on gulper sharks (*Centrophoridae* spp.), having noted that the Animals Committee has identified gulper sharks as species of concern since 2004 and that there has been continuing decline in population of these species (see summary record [AC33 Sum. 4](#)).
2. The Secretariat invites Parties and organizations to provide information on the following:
 - a) catches, use of and trade in gulper sharks and their products, and
 - b) conservation measures for the species.
3. This information could potentially assist a Party in:
 - a) developing actions they can take for the conservation and management of gulper sharks;
 - b) developing actions that could be brought to the attention of relevant Regional Fisheries Bodies (RFBs); and
 - c) assessing the need for preparing a proposal to include the gulper sharks in the CITES Appendices.
4. Parties and organizations are invited to submit the information by email with the subject line "Notification 2024/088 on gulper sharks" to info@cites.org with a copy to hyeon-jeong.kim@cites.org by **30 September 2024**.
5. The information received from Parties and organizations will be distributed through a Notification to the Parties in due course.

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