



NOTIFICATION TO THE PARTIES

No. 2024/107

Geneva, 25 September 2024

CONCERNING:

Use of HS codes in implementing risk-based control procedures and traceability systems for harmonization with CITES permits and certificates

1. At its 19th meeting (CoP19, Panama City, 2022), the Conference of the Parties adopted Decisions 19.150, paragraph g) and 19.151, paragraphs d) and e) on *Electronic systems and information technology*, as presented in the Annex to this Notification.
2. To facilitate the reporting of the Secretariat to the 78th meeting of the Standing Committee, Parties are invited to submit information to the Secretariat on their use of HS codes for risk-based control procedures and the development of traceability systems for specimens of CITES-listed species, in accordance with the provisions in Decision 19.150, paragraph g), and Decision 19.151 d), respectively.
3. Reports should be submitted by email with subject line "Notification No. 2024/107: Report on traceability and use of HS codes" to khan.salehin@un.org with a copy to info@cites.org by **23 October 2024**.

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DECISIONS 19.150 AND 19.151 ON
ELECTRONIC SYSTEMS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Directed to Parties

19.150

Parties are invited to:

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- g) submit to the Secretariat information on the use of HS codes for risk-based control procedures.

Directed to the Standing Committee, in consultation with the Secretariat

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The Standing Committee shall, in consultation with the Secretariat, undertake the following tasks:

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- d) monitor and advise on Parties' work related to the development of traceability systems for specimens of CITES-listed species to facilitate their harmonization with CITES permits and certificates;
- e) monitor the use of HS codes in implementing risk-based control procedures in different countries;

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