



NOTIFICATION TO THE PARTIES

No. 2025/013

Geneva, 14 February 2025

CONCERNING:

Stockpiles of specimens of *Pterocarpus erinaceus* from Mali held in Dakar, Senegal, and Nouakchott, Mauritania

- In <u>Notification No. 2023/071</u> of 19 June 2023, the Secretariat informed all Parties that the expedited application of Article XIII process did not apply to the 124 containers of specimens of *Pterocarpus erinaceus* from Mali seized by Senegal on 10 August 2022 as Mali had provided evidence confirming that the specimens had left the port of the exporting or re-exporting country (Mali), with valid permits, prior to publication of <u>Notification No. 2022/021</u> of 28 March 2022.
- 2. In September 2024, after having conducted a joint verification mission in Dakar with the Management Authority for Senegal, Mali informed the Secretariat of the identification of 26 additional containers of specimens of *Pterocarpus erinaceus* in storage facilities in Dakar, Senegal. The Management Authority for Mali also identified 30 containers from the same shipment in storage facilities in Nouakchott, Mauritania.
- 3. The Secretariat invited the Management Authority for Mali to submit evidence attesting that these 56 containers (approximately 1,120 m3) of *Pterocarpus erinaceus* had left the port of export prior to 28 March 2022.
- 4. The Secretariat hereby informs the Parties that Mali has submitted this evidence, together with additional information provided by Senegal. Therefore, as determined in <u>Notification No. 2023/071</u> of 19 June 2023, the expedited application of Article XIII process does not apply to these 26 additional containers of specimens of *Pterocarpus erinaceus* held in Dakar, Senegal, and 30 containers held in Nouakchott, Mauritania, and these are therefore not subject to the recommendation to suspend trade under this process.
- 5. The CITES Management Authority for Mali will proceed to issue export permits for these specimens to be shipped from the ports of Dakar and Nouakchott. It remains at the discretion of the importing Party(ies) to decide whether to accept or reject the import of these specimens.

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