

CONVENTION ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN ENDANGERED SPECIES
OF WILD FAUNA AND FLORA



Twenty-seventh meeting of the Animals Committee
Veracruz (Mexico), 28 April – 3 May 2014

Interpretation and implementation of the Convention

Compliance and enforcement

REVIEW OF REPORTING REQUIREMENTS (DECISION 16.45)
(Agenda item 11)

Membership (as decided by the Committee)

- Co-Chair: AC representative of Europe (Mr. Lörtscher) and PC representative of Oceania (Mr. Leach);
- Members: acting PC representative of Africa (Mr. Luke);
- Party: Australia, Germany, Mexico, Poland, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America; and

IGOs and NGOs: IUCN, UNEP-WCMC, Defenders of Wildlife and Humane Society International.

Mandate

Review each of the reporting requirements identified in Annex 1 as being relevant to them (and others if they consider they are also relevant to the Animals or Plants Committees' remits) and advise in the last column of Annex 1 whether the requirement is:

- a) still current and valid, or;
- b) outdated or otherwise unnecessary, and therefore no longer required.

Recommendations by the Animals and Plants Committee on reporting requirements identified as relevant to one, or both, Committee's

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11	Ranching	Annual reports on all relevant aspects of each approved ranching operation be submitted to the Secretariat by the Party concerned, including the following: i) the status of the wild population concerned established by monitoring at an appropriate frequency and with sufficient precision to allow recognition of changes in population size and structure owing to ranching; ii) the number of specimens (eggs, young or adults) taken annually from the wild and the percentage of this off take used to supply ranching operations; and iii) details of the annual production levels, and product types and quantity produced for export;	Res. Conf. 11.16 (Rev. CoP15)	1	1		MAINTAIN – still current and valid but SC WG should consider extending the timeline (perhaps through biennial report)
42	Export quotas	In accordance with Resolution Conf. 12.3 (Rev. CoP15), Parties should inform the CITES Secretariat of their nationally established export quotas and of revisions of such quotas. Such information can be provided at any time but, as far as possible, should be communicated at least 30 days before the start of the period to which the export quota relates	Res. Conf. 14.7 (Rev. CoP15)	1	1	1	MAINTAIN – still current and valid
4	Marking of live animals	(b) The Management Authority of each Party to inform all known manufacturers of microchip-implants and associated equipment on its territory about the present Resolution, urge them to strive towards the production of compatible equipment that can be applied universally and ask them for information about their products compatible with CITES needs; and to advise the Secretariat about the results, for the information of the Parties (c) the Animals Committee to monitor developments in microchip-implant technology and application techniques and to advise the Secretariat about such developments, for the information of the Parties.	Res. Conf. 8.13 (Rev.)	1	1		NO LONGER REQUIRED (noting (c) wasn't considered to be a reporting requirement)
38	Nurseries	Any Management Authority that wishes to register any commercial nursery artificially propagating specimens of species included in Appendix I for export purposes shall provide to the Secretariat, for inclusion in its Register, all appropriate information to obtain and maintain the registration of each such	Res. Conf. 9.19 (Rev. CoP15)			1	MAINTAIN – still current and valid

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9	Plants	RECOMMENDS that Parties develop and maintain a good liaison with national plant-trade organizations, to inform them about all aspects of the implementation of CITES for plants, and to communicate to the Secretariat specific implementation problems presented by these national organizations, for consideration by the Plants Committee	Res. Conf. 11.11 (Rev. CoP15)			1	DELETE the following reporting requirement: <i>'and to communicate to the Secretariat specific implementation problems presented by these national organizations, for consideration by the Plants Committee</i>
7	Regional reports	RESOLVES that the duties of members elected by the regions of the Animals and Plants Committees and their alternates are as follows: the members should submit a written report, covering the preceding period, to each meeting of the Committee;	Res. Conf. 11.1 (Rev. CoP16); See AC25 Doc. 6.7	1	1	1	.MAINTAIN: but AC/PC might want to review the content of and how reports are presented to the Committee
36	Registered operations	The Management Authority shall provide the Secretariat with appropriate information to obtain, and to maintain, the registration of each captive-breeding operation as set out in Annex 1.	Res. Conf. 12.10 (Rev. CoP15)	1	1	1	MAINTAIN – still current and valid
37	Registered scientific institutions	Wording from Conf Res 11.15: Each Management Authority should communicate to the Secretariat as soon as practicable the names and addresses of those scientific institutions so registered, and the Secretariat without delay then communicate this information to all other Parties.	Article VII, paragraph 6 Conf Res 11.15	1	1	1	MAINTAIN – still current and valid
12	Review of significant trade	The Secretariat shall, within 30 days after the meeting of the Animals or Plants Committee at which species are selected, notify range States of the species selected, providing an explanation for this selection and requesting comments regarding possible problems of implementing Article IV identified by the Committee. Range States shall be given 60 days to respond; the Secretariat shall report to the Animals or Plants Committee on the response of the range States concerned, including any other pertinent information	Res. Conf 12.8 (Rev. CoP13)	1	1	1	MAINTAIN – still current and valid
27	Tortoise	Commercial trade in specimens of this species is apparently taking place on some parts of the world. The CITES Management Authority of Madagascar has advised the Secretariat that no export permit has ever been issued to authorize exports of specimens of this species for commercial	Notification 2004/44		1		NO LONGER REQUIRED

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		trade but only for scientific purposes. In view of the above information, the Secretariat recommends that any trade in this species should be investigated and be reported to the Secretariat					
78	Agarwood-producing taxa	The Plants Committee shall monitor the implementation of Resolution Conf. 16.10 (Implementation of the Convention for agarwood-producing taxa) to assess any potential conservation impacts to the long-term survival of agarwood-producing species and possible problems arising from the implementation, and shall report on these issues at the 17th meeting of the Conference of the Parties.	Decision 16.157			1	MAINTAIN – still current and valid
75	Queen conch	Range States of <i>S. gigas</i> should: a) in coordination with the Working Group on Queen Conch mentioned in Decision 16.141, develop conversion factors at different levels of processing of <i>S. gigas</i> for standardization of data and reporting instruments on the catch and trade in meat and other products; b) adopt these conversion factors by the end of 2015 and report them to all range States of <i>S. gigas</i> , FAO and the CITES Secretariat; and c) by the end of 2016, apply the agreed conversion factors in their <i>S. gigas</i> fishery management and national, regional and international reporting, and include the degree of processing of <i>S. gigas</i> products in the description field of the export permit	Decision 16.143	1	1		MAINTAIN – still current and valid
14	Rhinos	RECOMMENDS that the IUCN/SSC African and Asian Rhino Specialist Groups and TRAFFIC submit at least six months before each meeting of the Conference of the Parties a written report to the Secretariat on: a) the national and continental conservation status of African and Asian rhinoceros species; b) trade in specimens of rhinoceroses; c) stocks of specimens of rhinoceroses and stock management; d) incidents of illegal killing of rhinoceroses; e) enforcement issues; f) conservation actions and management strategies with an evaluation of their effectiveness; and g) measures by implicated States to end the illegal use and consumption of rhinoceros parts and derivatives	Res Conf. 9.14 (Rev CoP15)	1	1		MAINTAIN – still current and valid
64	Rhinos	Vietnam should provide a comprehensive report on progress made to the Secretariat with regard to steps taken to effectively implement the requirements of Resolution Conf. 9.14 (Rev. CoP15)	Decision 16.86	1	1		MAINTAIN – still current and valid

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65	Rhinos	Mozambique should: a) take steps to effectively implement the requirements of Resolution Conf. 9.14 (Rev. CoP15); b) give priority attention to the enactment and implementation of legislation with deterrent penalties to effectively combat wildlife crime, prevent illegal killing of rhinoceroses and illegal possession of and trade in rhinoceros horn, taking into consideration the content of Decision 16.84, paragraphs a)-g); and c) assist the Working Group on Rhinoceroses to implement its mandate by providing a comprehensive report on measures implemented, as specified in paragraph a) and b) of this Decision, and on any other activities conducted. This report should be submitted to the Secretariat by 31 January 2014.	Decision 16.87	1	1		MAINTAIN – still current and valid
21	Saiga	All range States of Saiga spp. should provide information on the measures and activities they undertook to implement the Medium-Term International Work Programme for the Saiga Antelope (2011-2015) via the online Saiga Resource Centre and its associated project database, managed under the auspices of the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS).	Decision 14.93 (Rev. CoP16)	1	1		MAINTAIN – still current and valid
68	Saiga	Important consumer and trading countries of saiga parts and derivatives should provide, via the online Saiga antelope database managed under the auspices of CMS, information on the measures and activities they undertook to implement the Medium-Term International Work Programme for the Saiga Antelope (2011-2015).	Decision 16.98	1			MAINTAIN – still current and valid
17	Sharks	ENCOURAGES Parties to obtain information on implementation of NPOA-Sharks or regional plans, and to report directly on progress to the CITES Secretariat and at future meetings of the Animals Committee;	Res. Conf 12.6 (Rev. CoP16)		1		MAINTAIN – still current and valid
69	Snake trade	In order to support the sustainable use of Asian snakes, Parties are as necessary invited to establish voluntary conservative annual catch and export quotas for CITES-listed snake species in trade, and to communicate the export quotas to the Secretariat.	Decision 16.107		1		MAINTAIN – still current and valid
77	Snake trade	Parties should eliminate the important illegal and unreported trade in specimens, whether live or parts and derivatives, of	Decision 16.106	1	1		MAINTAIN – still current and valid

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		CITES-listed snake species by: (b) including information on trade in these specimens in their CITES annual reports					