

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



Twenty-fourth meeting of the Animals Committee
Geneva, (Switzerland), 20-24 April 2009

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

6. Cooperation with other multilateral instruments..... AC24 Doc. 6

The Secretariat introduced the document AC24 Doc. 6 and drew attention to some errors. In paragraph 1 the word 'Animals' should be replaced by "Plants". In paragraphs 6 and 8 'PC17 Doc. 7' should be replaced by "AC17 Doc. 7". The Committee noted the extra workload created by the Chair's involvement in IPBES and other instruments and, finally, noted the document. The Committee agreed that members should submit comments on the consultation letter from UNEP to the Chair by 5 May.

11. Implementation and effectiveness of the universal tagging system in the trade in small crocodylian leather goods..... AC24 Doc. 11

The Committee noted the document and agreed that further comments be sent to Mr Jelden.

7. Review of Significant Trade in specimens of Appendix-II species

7.7 Development of the Significant Trade online Management System..... AC24 Doc. 7.7

The Committee noted the document.

17. Progress report on the identification manual..... *no document*

The Committee noted the oral report of the Secretariat.

5. Regional reports

5.1 Africa AC24 Doc. 5.1

The Committee noted the document.

5.3 Central and South America and the Caribbean AC24 Doc. 5.3

The Committee noted the document.

5.4 Europe AC24 Doc. 5.4

The Committee noted the document.

5.5 North America AC24 Doc. 5.5

The Committee noted the document.

12. Sturgeons and paddlefish

12.2 Assessment and monitoring methodologies used for shared stocks of Acipenseriformes species AC24 Doc. 12.2

The Chair of the working group (Mr Ishii) introduced document AC24 WG4 Doc. 1 and the Committee adopted the recommendations in this document.

13. Nomenclatural matters AC24 Doc. 13 (Rev. 1)

The Chair of the working group (Ms Grimm) introduced document AC24 WG9 Doc. 1.

It was agreed to add the following wording after 'original reference' in the first bullet point under paragraph c) of the Recommendations "(Sasaki, T., Nikaido, M., Wada, S., Yamada, T.K., Cao, Y., Hasegawa, M., and Okada, N. 2006. *Balaenoptera omurai* is a newly discovered baleen whale that represents an ancient evolutionary lineage. Molecular Phylogenetics and Evolution 41(1): 40–52.)".

It was agreed to change the sentence in the third bullet point under paragraph c) of the Recommendations to: "That the representative of the Animals Committee informs other representatives of the scientific advisory bodies of biodiversity-related conventions (CSAB) to consider legal, budgetary and other issues that might be involved, particularly in a CITES context."

With these two changes the Committee adopted the recommendations in document AC24 WG9 Doc. 1.

Corrections were invited to document AC24 Sum. 2.

Paragraph b) under agenda item 7.1 should be deleted and in the Spanish version under agenda item 13.2 '(WG8)' should be replaced by "(WG9)".

With these two corrections the document was adopted.