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

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Strategic matters

WORLD WILDLIFE TRADE REPORT

- 1. This document has been prepared by the Secretariat.
- 2. At its 19th meeting (CoP19; Panama City, 2022), the Conference of the Parties adopted Decisions 19.30 and 19.31 on the *World Wildlife Trade Report* as follows:

Directed to the Secretariat

- 19.30 The Secretariat shall:
 - issue a Notification to the Parties providing the pilot World Wildlife Trade Report, seeking feedback and views on such a report and the potential utility and drawbacks of producing such a report periodically; and
 - b) provide the responses received from the Notification to the Standing Committee and present findings and make recommendations for consideration by the Standing Committee.

Directed to the Standing Committee, in consultation with the Animals and Plants Committees

- 19.31 The Standing Committee shall review the responses to the Notification and the findings and recommendations of the Secretariat, consult with the Animals and Plants Committees as appropriate and make recommendations to the 20th meeting of the Conference of the Parties.
- 3. The Secretariat translated the pilot World Wildlife Trade Report into French and Spanish to facilitate the comments by Parties. The Secretariat welcomes the initiative of TRAFFIC to translate the report into Chinese.
- 4. The Secretariat sent out Notification to the Parties No. 2023/109 on 8 September 2023 to seek feedback and views of Parties on such a report and the potential utility and drawbacks of producing such a report on a regular basis.

Recommendations

- 5. The Standing Committee is invited to:
 - a) take note of the present document and the progress made in implementing Decision 19.30;
 - b) invite Parties and observers to provide by 30 November 2023 feedback and views on the pilot *World Wildlife Trade Report* and the potential utility and drawbacks of producing such a report periodically; and
 - c) request the Secretariat to compile responses from Parties to the report and to present its findings and make recommendations to its 78th meeting.