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



Twenty-second meeting of the Animals Committee Lima (Peru), 7-13 July 2006

Transport of live specimens

RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING TRANSPORT OF LIVE ANIMALS TO SUPPLEMENT, WHERE NECESSARY, THE *IATA LIVE ANIMALS REGULATIONS*

- 1. This document has been prepared by the Secretariat.
- 2. At its 13th meeting (Bangkok, 2004), the Conference of the Parties adopted Decision 13.88 concerning the transport of live specimens as follows:

The Animals Committee, in collaboration with interested non-governmental organizations and the Secretariat, shall:

- a) develop recommendations regarding transport of live animals by road, rail or ship, and regarding cost-effective options for containers and packing materials for all means of transport to supplement, where necessary, the IATA Live Animals Regulations;
- b) assist in identifying model practices concerning the transport and preparation for shipment of live wild animals, and develop recommendations to the Parties regarding the proper preparation, proper handling and transportation of live animals, particularly in exporting countries; and
- c) report at the 14th meeting of the Conference of the Parties on the implementation of this Decision.
- 3. At its 21st meeting (Geneva, May 2005), the Animals Committee established a Transport Working Group and agreed on a process to implement this Decision in the course of 2005 and 2006. This should have resulted in a document from the chairman of the Transport Working Group on this matter for consideration at the present meeting [see document AC21 WG4 Doc. 1 (Rev. 1)]. However, no document was submitted by the agreed deadline (8 May 2006).

Issues for consideration

4. The Animals Committee is invited to proceed with the implementation of Decision 13.88 by developing recommendations and for consideration at the 14th meeting of the Conference of the Parties, in compliance with the Decision.