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



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## Annotations

ORCHIDS: ANNOTATION FOR SPECIES INCLUDED IN APPENDIX II

- 1. This document has been prepared by the Secretariat.
- 2. At its 14th meeting (The Hague, 2007) the Conference of the Parties adopted the following Decisions:

#### Directed to Parties and the Plants Committee

14.133 Countries of export and import should make recommendations and prepare identification material on further exemptions for artificially propagated hybrids of Orchidaceae spp. included in Appendix II, taking into consideration the capacities of countries to implement and control such exemptions effectively. The results shall be sent to the Plants Committee, which shall evaluate them and adopt the appropriate measures.

#### Directed to the Plants Committee

- 14.134 The Plants Committee shall monitor and assess possible conservation problems arising from the implementation of the annotation to Orchidaceae spp. included in Appendix II and shall report on the issue at the 15th meeting of the Conference of the Parties.
- 3. With Notification to the Parties No. 2007/033 issued on 5 October 2007, the Secretariat asked Parties to submit reports on actions taken in response to Decision 14.133. These reports are contained in the Annex to this document in the language in which they were submitted.
- 4. When the Plants Committee considers how best to implement Decision 14.134, it might find that a useful reference is the work previously undertaken to implement Decision 13.99 on Annotation for Orchidaceae included in Appendix II found in document PC15 Doc. 19, Notification to the Parties No. 2005/047 and document PC16 Doc. 17.2.
- 5. The Committee is invited to decide on the action needed to implement Decisions 14.133 and 14.134.

#### COUNTRY REPORTS

# (only the relevant information from these reports has been reproduced below, in the language in which it was submitted)

#### Ecuador

Orchidaceae spp.

El Ecuador posee 4.016 especies de orquídeas descritas de las cuales el 70% se comercializa y debido a las condiciones de cultivo de las especies de orquídeas e híbridos, no es posible que los funcionarios del Ministerio del Ambiente, Aduana y Policía Ambiental las diferencien con facilidad por lo que no se aplican exenciones para las exportaciones de híbridos.

Sin embargo a fin de facilitar las exportaciones, a partir del 2006 se están revisando los stocks de especies e híbridos de los viveros comerciales, proceso que permitirá establecer a futuro un mecanismo que facilite este tipo de comercio basado en acuerdos de responsabilidad compartida.

European Community on behalf of its Member States

Orchidaceae spp.

Information not available.