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



Fifty-fourth meeting of the Standing Committee Geneva (Switzerland), 2-6 October 2006

Strategic and administrative matters

ADMISSION OF OBSERVERS

- 1. In accordance with Rule 6, paragraph 2, of the Rules of Procedure of the Standing Committee, 2 intergovernmental organizations (IGOs) and 41 non-governmental organizations (NGOs) submitted to the Secretariat, on or before 2 September 2006, a request to attend the 54th meeting of the Standing Committee.
- 2. On 4 September 2006, the Secretariat sent the requests from NGOs to the members of the Committee, who provided their comments to the Chairman of the Standing Committee or to the Secretariat.
- 3. In consequence, the Secretariat, on behalf of the Chairman of the Standing Committee, sent to the NGOs listed in the Annex to this document an invitation to attend the 54th meeting. This Annex also includes the name of three organizations from the UN system that were invited to attend. (This list does not include UNEP, which provides the administration of the Secretariat.)
- 4. The list in the Annex excludes five organizations which did not receive an invitation because they registered after the deadline, did not provide, and had not previously provided, sufficient information to demonstrate that they were technically qualified in protection, conservation or management of wild fauna and flora and/or the proof of the approval of the Management Authority of the State in which they are located.
 - a) Organizations that did not provide sufficient information to demonstrate that they were technically qualified in protection, conservation or management of wild fauna and flora and/or the proof of the approval of the Management Authority of the State in which they are located:

Sociedad Nacional de Industrias – Comité de Madera Grupo de Trabajo Racimos de Ungurahui Federación Nativa del Río Madre de Dios y Afluentes

b) Organizations whose request to participate is pending approval by the Chairman:

The Union for the Conservation of Raptors

c) Organizations that registered and requested invitations after the deadline 2 September 2006:

China Arts and Crafts Association

<u>United Nations bodies / Organizaciones de Naciones Unidas /</u> <u>Institutions des Nations Unies</u>

Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations / Organización de las Naciones Unidas para la Agricultura y la Alimentación / Organisation des Nations Unies pour l'alimentation et l'agriculture World Trade Organization / Organización Mundial del Comercio / Organisation mondiale du commerce United Nations University

<u>Intergovernmental organizations / Organizaciones intergubernamentales /</u> Organisations intergouvernementales

European Community / Comunidad Europea / Communauté européenne

IUCN – The World Conservation Union / UICN – Unión Mundial para la Naturaleza /

UICN – Union mondiale pour la nature

International organizations / Organizaciones internacionales / Organisations internationales

Conservation International - China

Defenders of Wildlife

East African Wildlife Society

Environmental Investigation Agency

European Bureau for Conservation and Development

Fauna and Flora International

Greenpeace International

Humane Society International

IFAW-International Fund for Animal Welfare

International Caviar Importers Association

International Elephant Foundation

International Wood Products Association

IISD-Earth Negotiations Bulletin

IWMC-The World Conservation Trust

Safari Club International Foundation

Save the Tiger Fund

Species Management Specialists (SMS)

Species Survival Network

TRAFFIC

Wildlife Conservation Society

WWF

National organizations / Organizaciones nacionales / Organisations nationales

Animal Welfare Institute

Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies

Born Free Foundation

Conservation Force

David Shepherd Wildlife Foundation

Fundación Cethus

International Environmental Law Project

Japan Federation of Ivory Arts and Crafts Associations

Natural Resources Defense Council

Pew Institute for Ocean Science

Pro Wildlife SeaWeb Sharkfin and Marine Products Association Ltd. Telapak Indonesia Wildlife Trust of India