A. PRO POSAL

Deletion of Francolinus swierstrai from Appendix II.

B. PROPONENT

The Swiss Confederation.

C. SUPPORTING STATEMENT

1. Taxonomy

11. Class:

Aves

12. Order:

Galliformes

13. Family:

Phasianidae

14. Species:

Francolinus swierstrai

15. Common Names:

English: Swierstra's francolin French: francolin de Swierstra Spanish: Francolín de Swierstra

16. Code Numbers:

214.003.032.042 (ID Manual)

2. Biological Data

- 21. Distribution: Western Angola from Cuanza Sul to Huila Districts.
- 22. <u>Population</u>: Status rated indeterminate by the 1979 and 1985 Red Data Books. No population estimates available.

There is no captive population.

23. <u>Habitat</u>: Montane habitats, mainly forest, but found also in rocky and grassy areas. Much of the montane forest in Angola has been destroyed which would negatively affect the species if it were dependent upon forest habitat (which is not precisely known).

3. Trade Data

- 31. National Utilization: No information available. Possibly some subsistence hunting.
- 32. <u>Legal International Trade</u>: Has never been recorded in trade since 1975
- 33. Illegal Trade: No evidence.
- 34. Potential Trade Threats: None

4. Protection Status

No information available.

CITES history: Listed at Washington, D.C., 1973, following a proposal by the United States of America annotated by IUCN which recommended non-listing unless more information would be provided. Has never been reviewed.

5. Information on Similar Species

Francolinus cruzi is a synonym of swierstrai.

There is no ID Manual data sheet available.

6. Comments from Countries of Origin

Solicited but not received.

7. Additional Remarks

8. References

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