### A. PROPOSAL

Deletion of Numenius minutus from Appendix II.

# B. PROPONENT

The Swiss Confederation.

## C. SUPPORTING STATEMENT

## 1. Taxonomy

11. Class:

Aves

12. Order:

Charadriiformes

13. Family:

Scolopacidae

14. Species:

Numenius minutus

15. Common Names:

English: little whimbrel French: courlis nain Spanish: Zarapito chico

16. Code Numbers:

216.010.006.006 (ID Manual)

### 2. Biological Data

## 21. Distribution:

Breeding area: USSR, central Siberia in upper reaches of Moyero and Kochekum Rivers, and North-East Siberia in the middle reaches of Yama River and mountains to Indigirka River.

Wintering Area: North Australia and probably New Guinea.

22. <u>Population</u>: No information available. Included in the list of rare species of the USSR.

There are no captive specimens recorded by the International Zoo Yearbook Vol. 24/25.

#### 23. Habitat:

Breeding area: Continental dry subarctic taiga forest zone. In upland areas and steppe-like foothills often along valleys of small rivers or sloping down to a stream.

Wintering area: Dry open grasslands including airfields.

#### 3. Trade Data

- 31. National Utilization: No information available.
- 32. <u>legal International Trade</u>: Has never been recorded in trade from 1975 to 1983. In 1984 one museum specimen was sent for exhibition from Japan to USSR.



- 33. Illegal Trade: No evidence.
- 34. Potential Trade Threats: None

# 4. Protection Status

Protected under national law in USSR.

CITES history: Listed at Washington, D.C., 1973, following a proposal by USSR. Has never been reviewed.

# 5. Information on Similar Species

 $\frac{\text{Numenius}}{\text{migrates}} \stackrel{\text{borelis}}{\text{to South America}}$  is very similar but breeds in North America and

There is no ID Manual data sheet available.

## 6. Comments from Countries of Origin

USSR did not respond to the questionnaire.

### 7. Additional Remarks

## 8. References

Cramp, S., Chief Editor, 1983. Handbook of the Birds of Europe, the Middle East and North Africa - The Birds of the Western Palearctic. Oxford, London, New York.