A. PROPOSAL

Deletion of Cynogale bennettii from Appendix II.

B. PROPONENT

The Swiss Confederation.

C. SUPPORTING STATEMENT

- 1. Taxonomy
 - 11. Class: Mammalia
 - 12. Order: Carnivora
 - 13. Family: Viverridae
 - 14. Species: Cynogale bennettii
 - 15. Common Names: English: otter civet, mampaon French: civette-loutre de Sumatra Spanish: Cibeta nutria
 - 16. Code Numbers: 112.005.014.001 (ID Manual)

2. Biological Data

- 21. <u>Distribution</u>: Brunei Darussalam, Indonesia (Sumatra, Kalimantan), Malaysia, Singapore, Thailand, Viet Nam.
- 22. <u>Population</u>; Not listed in IUCN Red Data Book (1978). Considered as rare in Indonesia, Singapore and Thailand, all other countries indicating the population trend as unknown. Also rare in Malaysia.

The International Zoo Yearbook Vol. 24/25 records one captive specimen kept at Bangkok Zoo during 1983/84.

- 23. <u>Habitat</u>: Along rivers and in swampy habitats. The species is considered threatened due to loss of habitat (Indonesia, Singapore and Thailand).
- 3. Trade Data
 - 31. National Utilization: Subsistence hunting in Thailand.
 - 32. <u>Legal International Trade</u>; Has never been recorded in trade since 1975.
 - 33. Illegal Trade: No evidence.
 - 34. <u>Potential Trade Threats</u>: Insignificant. Thailand has rejected applications for export permits.

4. Protection Status

Totally protected in Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore and Thailand. No information from Brunei Darussalam and Viet Nam.

CITES history: Listed at Washington, D.C., 1973. Has never been reviewed.

5. Information on Similar Species

None listed. ID Manual data sheet available.

6. Comments from Countries of Origin

Indonesia tentatively opposes the proposal, although it is not specified how a delisting would negatively affect the species.

Singapore and Thailand feel that the situation would not become more critical when removed from Appendix II. Singapore's tentative view is to support, Thailand's to oppose the proposal. Thailand indicates that illegal exports could be prevented by enforcing national legislation.

Malaysia did not answer the questionnaire.

- 7. Additional Remarks
- 8. References

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