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

Thirteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties Bangkok (Thailand), 2-14 October 2004

Interpretation and implementation of the Convention

Amendment of the Appendices

PROPOSAL TO AMEND APPENDICES I AND II

1. This document has been prepared by the Thailand.

2. Proposal 40

Annotation of Orchidaceae in Appendix II to read as follows:

Artificially propagated specimens of Orchidaceae hybrids, excluding genera of *Cattleya, Cypripedium, Miltonia, Odontoglossum, Oncidium, Paphiopedilum, Phragmipedium* and *Selenipedium,* are not subject to the provisions of the Convention when:

- a) specimens are traded in shipments consisting of individual containers (i.e. cartons, boxes, or crates) containing 20 or more plants of the same hybrid each; and
- b) the plants within each container that can be readily recognized as artificially propagated specimens, exhibiting a high degree of uniformity and healthiness; and
- c) shipments are accompanied by documentation, such as an invoice, which clearly states the number of plants of each hybrid.

Plants not clearly qualifying for the exemption must be accompanied by appropriate CITES documents.

Precautionary measures

If this proposal is adopted, all Parties should monitor the implementation of this annotation and report to the Plants Committee. The Plant Committee should report at the 14th meeting of the Conference of the Parties.