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

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Summary record of the ninth session of Committee I

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Chairman: J. Donaldson (South Africa)

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52. Atlantic bluefin tuna

Monaco, as proponent, withdrew document CoP15 Doc. 52 (Rev.1) as the proposal CoP15 Prop. 19 had been rejected.

68. Proposals to amend Appendices I and II

Guatemala introduced proposal CoP15 Prop.12 to list *Ctenosaura palearis* on Appendix II. They drew attention to its fragmented and continually declining habitat and that the population estimate was less than 2000 sexually mature individuals. Noting the export of 240 specimens in 2008, which accounted for 10% of the total adult population, they believed the species fully met the biological criteria for inclusion in Appendix II.

Brazil, China, Costa Rica, on behalf of Central and South America and the Caribbean region, Egypt, Spain, on behalf of the European Union and its Member States, the United States of America, and TRAFFIC also believed that the species met the biological criteria for Appendix-II listing and supported the proposal. Spain, on behalf of the European Union and its Member States, and TRAFFIC made reference to current national legislation and noted the necessity for improved enforcement measures. The proposal was accepted by consensus.

Honduras presented proposal CoP15 Prop.11 to include *Ctenosaura bakeri, C. oedirhina* and *C. melanostema* in Appendix II. They noted that *C. melanostema* qualified in terms of biological criteria and was harvested from the wild for the international exotic pet trade. The other two species had been included in the proposal based on their similarity to *C. melanostema*.

Burkina Faso, Costa Rica, on behalf of Central and South America and the Caribbean region except Argentina and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Egypt, Guatemala, Liberia, Spain, on behalf of the European Union and its Member States, Turkey, the United Republic of Tanzania, and the United States strongly supported the proposal. The International Animal Trade Organisation could not support the proposal and considered that an Appendix-III listing would be more appropriate. The proposal was accepted by consensus.

The session was adjourned at 11h55.