NOTIFICATION TO THE PARTIES

No. 2025/083   Geneva, 25 June 2025

CONCERNING:

SOMALIA

Withdrawal of recommendation to suspend trade
for non-submission of annual reports

1. In Notification to the Parties No. 2024/016 of 12 January 2024, the Secretariat informed Parties that, pursuant to Resolution Conf. 11.17 (Rev. CoP19) on *National reports*, the Standing Committee had recommended that Parties not authorize trade in specimens of CITES-listed species with Somalia as it had failed, without having provided adequate justification, to provide annual reports for three consecutive years.

2. The Secretariat has now received the adequate justification concerning the missing annual reports from Somalia.

3. The Secretariat therefore informs Parties that the recommendation to suspend trade in specimens of CITES-listed species with the Somalia for lack of submission of annual reports is withdrawn with immediate effect.

4. The Secretariat would like to remind Parties that, although the withdrawal of the recommendation to suspend trade in CITES-listed species has now been withdrawn for annual reports, **the recommendation to suspend trade in all CITES-listed species for commercial purposes with Somalia for lack of progress with regard to the development of its national law for the implementation of the Convention remains in effect** (see Notification to the Parties 2019/035 of 4 July 2019).

5. Parties are requested to inform their enforcement and customs authorities that the recommendation to suspend trade for commercial purposes as outlined in paragraph 4 of the present Notification remains in place and to exercise due diligence to avoid the inadvertent acceptance of specimens of CITES-listed species. Parties are reminded that the complete list of Parties subject to a recommendation to suspend trade is available on the CITES website under Documents / Trade suspensions.