



NOTIFICATION TO THE PARTIES

No. 2025/084

Geneva, 25 June 2025

CONCERNING:

Second meeting of jaguar range States

- Pursuant to the recommendations of the Standing Committee (<u>SC78 SR</u>) at its 78th meeting (SC78; Geneva, February 2025), the Secretariat is organizing a meeting of the jaguar range States from 22 to 24 September 2025 in Mexico City, Mexico. The meeting is organized in collaboration with the Secretariat of the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS) who has a mandate under CMS Dec. 14.178 and is hosted by the Government of Mexico.
- 2. As agreed by the Standing Committee, the aim of the meeting is to discuss the outcomes of the virtual meeting held on 2 June, together with other developments in the implementation of Decisions 19.111 and 19.112 and the recommendations of SC77 and to prepare draft outputs for consideration of the CITES Conference of the Parties at its 20th meeting (CoP20; Samarkand, Uzbekistan, 24 November to 5 December 2025). A draft agenda of the meeting will be shared with the participants in due course.
- 3. The Secretariats of CITES and CMS hereby invite the CITES Management and Scientific Authorities, enforcement focal points and CMS National Focal Points of jaguar range States, as well as members of the Jaguar 2030 Roadmap Coordination Committee, the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), and the national project leads of the GEF Integrated Programmes (Global Wildlife Programme, Amazon and Mesoamerica) and other relevant conservation organizations to attend the meeting. Each jaguar range State is invited to nominate a maximum of 4 representatives. Partner and observer organizations are invited to nominate a maximum of 2 participants from each organization. As UN Member States seek to achieve Goal 5 of the SDGs regarding gender equality, the Secretariat will consider gender diversity and nomination of women representatives is highly encouraged.
- 4. Up to three representatives from each jaguar range State may be eligible for financial support (international travel and DSA), depending on the availability of funding. CITES and CMS Secretariats and the GEF Integrated Programmes may support up to two governmental representatives (from different authorities: CITES, CMS or enforcement). In addition, the GEF Integrated Programmes may support one national project leads of one of these Programmes.
- 5. The nomination letter should clearly indicate whether the person for whom financial support is requested is representing CITES MA, CITES SA, CMS Focal point or one of the GEF Integrated Programmes to ensure a balanced representation at the meeting. The organizers are grateful for the financial contributions provided by the Government of Switzerland, the Global

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Environment Facility, to the World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF) for covering the costs of interpretation and to Mexico for hosting the meeting.

- 6. Nomination of representatives and participants and application for sponsorship should be communicated to the CITES Secretariat by **18 July 2025** through an official letter issued by the authority that can approve the travel. The letter should be submitted by email with the subject line "Notification 2025/084 on *Meeting of jaguar range States*" to <u>info@cites.org</u> with a copy to <u>penelope.benn@cites.org</u>. Each nominated participant will receive a link to register online and provide the necessary information. Registration should be completed by **25 July 2025**.
- 7. The meeting will be conducted in **English and Spanish** with simultaneous interpretation and will be **in-person only**, without the possibility for online participation.
- 8. Jaguar range States are invited to provide inputs for the draft decisions on jaguars for consideration at CITES CoP20 to the Secretariat by **15 August 2025**.
- 9. An official letter of invitation for visa application, if needed, will be issued by the government of Mexico. More details on logistics will be communicated to participants at a later stage. The Government of Mexico will make all logistical information available, including on hotels on the meeting website https://www.biodiversidad.gob.mx/planeta/jaguares/.
- 10. Enquiries about the meeting should be addressed to Mr. LIU Yuan of the CITES Secretariat at yuan.liu@cites.org.