

For Consideration in 13th Conference of Parties to CITES

Proposals for Amendment of Appendices I and II

A. Addition of annotation #1 to *Cistanche deserticola* (Appendix II), i.e.:

“Designates all parts and derivatives, except:

a) seeds, spores and pollen (including pollinia);

b) seedling or tissue cultures obtained in vitro, in solid or liquid media, transported in sterile containers; and

c) cut flowers of artificially propagated plants.”

B. Proponent

The People’s Republic of China

C. Supporting Statement

1. Taxonomy

1.1 Class: *Dicotyledoneae*

1.2 Order: *Tubiflorae*

1.3 Family: *Orobanchaceae*

1.4 Scientific name: *Cistanche deserticola* Ma 1960

1.5 Scientific synonyms: *C.ambigua* (Bunge) G. Beck

1.6 Common names: English: Desert living Cistanche

1.7 Code numbers: -

2. Justification

At its 11th meeting, the Conference of the Parties agreed to the inclusion in Appendix II of *Cistanche deserticola* with the following annotation.

#3 Designated whole and sliced roots and parts of roots, excluding manufactured parts or derivatives such as powders, pills, extracts, tonics, teas and confectionery.

It was not noted during the meeting, or immediately afterwards, that this annotation was incorrect because *Cistanche deserticola* is a parasite and does not have roots.

At its 12th meeting, the Conference of the Parties agreed to the deletion of annotation of *Cistanche deserticola* with the proponent aim to put individuals, parts and derivatives under CITES control.

However, it was not noted that, during the meeting, no annotation for appendix II plant species means that only individual of species is subject to CITES control, according to the Article I, paragraph b, sub-paragraph (iii) of the Convention, which is not original intention of proponent.

D. Conclusion

To correctly reflect the proponent's intention of putting all individual, parts and derivatives under the CITES control, it is recommended that listing of *Cistanche deserticola* of appendix II be annotated with annotation "#1" of current appendix I and II, i.e.

- #1 Designates all parts and derivatives, except:
 - a) seeds, spores and pollen (including pollinia);
 - b) seedling or tissue cultures obtained *in vitro*, in solid or liquid media, transported in sterile containers; and
 - c) cut flowers of artificially propagated plants.