Administrative matters

Arrangements for the 15th meeting of the Conference of the Parties

WORKING PROGRAMME

1. The Government of Qatar, as Host Country of the 15th meeting of the Conference of the Parties (CoP15), and the CITES Secretariat have agreed in principle that the meeting should be held in Doha from 13 to 25 March 2010. At the time of writing, these dates were still subject to formal confirmation, but the present document has been prepared on the assumption that they would be confirmed.

2. The Annex to this document is a draft provisional working programme for CoP15. This programme relates only to the plenary meeting.

3. If the meeting starts on 13 March 2010, the deadline for the receipt of documents for the meeting will be 14 October 2009. Until that time, it will not be known what new items should be added to the agenda. Consequently it would be premature to prepare detailed provisional working programmes for Committees I and II.

4. However, for each item, the draft working programme in the Annex is annotated to indicate whether it is proposed to be discussed in plenary session only or whether it should first be discussed in Committee I or Committee II.

5. The Secretariat requests that the Standing Committee approve the attached draft working programme for the plenary meeting.
CONVENTION ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN ENDANGERED SPECIES
OF WILD FAUNA AND FLORA

Fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties
Doha (Qatar), 13-25 March 2010

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ADOPTION OF THE WORKING PROGRAMME
(first draft)

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Com. I 46. Saiga antelope
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Com. II 50. Toothfish: report of CCAMLR
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