

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

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Trade in alien invasive species

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CONSIDERING that non-indigenous species can pose significant threats to biodiversity, and that species of fauna and flora in commercial trade are likely to be introduced to new habitat as a result of international trade;

RECALLING the adoption of Decisions 10.54, 10.76 and 10.86 at the 10th meeting of the Conference of the Parties (Harare, 1997);

THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE CONVENTION

RECOMMENDS that the Parties:

- a) consider the problems of invasive species when developing national legislation and regulations that deal with the trade in live animals or plants;
- b) consult with the Management Authority of a proposed country of import, when possible and when applicable, when considering exports of potentially invasive species, to determine whether there are domestic measures regulating such imports; and
- c) consider the opportunities for synergy between CITES and the Convention on Biological Diversity, and explore appropriate cooperation and collaboration between the two Conventions on the issue of introductions of alien (invasive) species; and

INSTRUCTS the CITES Secretariat, in conjunction with the Animals and Plants Committees, to establish cooperation with the CBD Secretariat and the IUCN/SSC Invasive Species Specialist Group ~~in the implementation of their document "IUCN Guidelines for the Prevention of Biodiversity Loss Due to Biological Invasion", of which parts are related to the trade in and transport of live specimens of species of wildlife~~ in their important work in relation to alien invasive species.

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