

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



Fifty-seventh meeting of the Standing Committee
Geneva (Switzerland), 14-18 July 2008

Strategic and administrative matters

ADMISSION OF OBSERVERS

1. In accordance with Rule 6, paragraph 2, of the Rules of Procedure of the Standing Committee, four intergovernmental organizations and 32 non-governmental organizations submitted to the Secretariat, on or before 14 June 2008, a request to attend the 57th meeting of the Standing Committee.
2. On 17 June 2008, the Secretariat sent the requests from observer organizations to the members of the Committee, who provided their comments to the Chairman of the Standing Committee or to the Secretariat.
3. In consequence, the Secretariat, on behalf of the Chairman of the Standing Committee, sent to the organizations listed in the Annex to this document an invitation to attend the 57th meeting. This list also includes the names of five organizations from the UN system that were invited to attend. (This list does not include UNEP, which provides the administration of the Secretariat.)
4. The list excludes the following three organizations which did not receive an invitation because they registered after the deadline, did not provide, and had not previously provided, sufficient information to demonstrate that they were technically qualified in protection, conservation or management of wild fauna and flora and/or the proof of the approval of the Management Authority of the State in which they are located:
 - EOWAS (Nigeria);
 - New Era Environment Development of Africa (Ghana); and
 - Nava Sahara Nepal.

United Nations bodies / Organizaciones de Naciones Unidas /
Institutions des Nations Unies

- Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals / Convención sobre la Conservación de las Especies Migratorias de Animales Silvestres / Convention sur la conservation des espèces migratrices appartenant à la faune sauvage
- Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations / Organización de las Naciones Unidas para la Agricultura y la Alimentación / Organisation des Nations Unies pour l'alimentation et l'agriculture
- UNEP Economics and Trade Branch
- UNEP World Conservation Monitoring Centre
- World Trade Organization / Organización Mundial del Comercio / Organisation mondiale du commerce

Intergovernmental organizations / Organizaciones intergubernamentales /
Organisations intergouvernementales

- European Community / Comunidad Europea / Communauté européenne
- Global Tiger Forum
- International Tropical Timber Organization / Organización internacional de las maderas tropicales / Organisation internationale des bois tropicaux
- International Union for Conservation of Nature / Unión Mundial para la Naturaleza / Union mondiale pour la nature

Non-governmental organizations / Organizaciones no gubernamentales / Organisations non
gouvernementales

- Conservation Force
- Conservation International
- Environmental Investigation Agency
- Greenpeace International
- Humane Society International
- International Animal Trade Organisation
- International Caviar Importers Association
- International Elephant Foundation
- International Environmental Resources
- IISD-ENB (Reporting Service)
- IFAW-International Fund for Animal Welfare
- IWMC-World Conservation Trust
- Safari Club International/Safari Club International Foundation
- Species Management Specialists (SMS)
- Species Survival Network
- TRAFFIC
- Wildlife Conservation Society
- WWF
- Alliance of Marine Mammal Parks and Aquariums
- Animal Exhibitors Alliance
- Animal Welfare Institute
- Born Free Foundation
- China Arts and Crafts Association
- David Shepherd Wildlife Foundation
- International Alligator/Crocodile Trade Study
- International Environmental Law Project
- Japan Federation of Ivory Arts and Crafts Association
- Last Great Ape
- Pro Wildlife
- Saviya Development Foundation
- Singapore Reptile Skin Trade Association
- Wildlife Conservation Nepal