NOTIFICATION TO THE PARTIES

No. 2006/059 Geneva, 14 November 2006

CONCERNING:

PAKISTAN

Tagging of markhor (Capra falconeri) trophies

1. Resolution Conf. 10.15 (Rev. CoP12) recommends that each markhor hunting trophy exported from Pakistan have a self-locking tag indicating inter alia the calendar year to which the quota applies.

2. The CITES Management Authority of Pakistan has found that, owing to a quota limited to 12 trophies a year, it is not economically viable or practical to have tags manufactured that include the quota year figures.

3. Pakistan has, therefore, asked the Secretariat to advise the Parties that it will use previously-acquired tags for exports of markhor hunting trophies, which will bear the following information only: the letters 'CITESPKFAL', followed by a 7-digit unique and sequential number for each tag. For example, 'CITESPKFAL0000019'. The export permit for each shipment will clearly state the quota year to which the trophy relates.

4. Importing countries are encouraged to contact the CITES Management Authority of Pakistan should they have any reason to question the authenticity or validity of a markhor hunting trophy tag.