



NOTIFICATION TO THE PARTIES

No. 2018/012

Geneva, 22 January 2018

CONCERNING:

LIBERIA

Maintenance of a recommendation to suspend trade

1. In Notification to the Parties No. 2016/30 of 23 March 2016, the Secretariat informed Parties of the recommendation by the Standing Committee that all Parties suspend commercial trade with Guinea-Bissau and Liberia in specimens of CITES-listed species until further notice for failure to adopt appropriate legislative measures to implement the Convention.
2. Liberia has adopted new legislation to implement the Convention, set out in its Wildlife Conservation and Protected Areas Act of 2016. However, this legislation does not meet the CITES minimum requirements to national legislation, summarized in Resolution Conf. 8.4 (Rev. CoP15) on *National laws for implementation of the Convention* and has not been placed in Category 1 under the CITES National Legislation Project. Therefore, the recommendation to suspend commercial trade with Liberia is maintained.
3. The present Notification replaces Notification to the Parties No. 2016/30 of 23 March 2016.