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

NOTIFICATION TO THE PARTIES

No. 2018/051

Geneva, 17 May 2018

CONCERNING:

GUINEA-BISSAU

Export of Pterocarpus erinaceus

At the request of Guinea-Bissau, the Secretariat hereby informs all Parties of the progress made in the implementation of the measures adopted by Guinea-Bissau to regulate and control exports of certain Pterocarpus erinaceus:

a) Exports of specimens of Pterocarpus erinaceus, harvested after the entry into force of the listing of that species in Appendix II (2 January 2017) are prohibited under national legislation for the years 2017, 2018 and 2019. The Secretariat was informed of this moratorium and this zero export quota is published in the national voluntary export quotas on the CITES website: https://cites.org/eng/resources/quotas/index.php.

b) A stock of 24,339 m3 of pre-Convention logs of Pterocarpus erinaceus has been identified by the CITES Management Authority of Guinea-Bissau. This stock will be allowed for export on the basis of pre-Convention certificates issued by the CITES Management Authority of Guinea-Bissau in accordance with CITES and national legislation. The Management Authority will send such pre-Convention certificates directly to the Management Authority of the importing Party with a copy to the CITES Secretariat.

c) The logs in the stockpile to be exported under paragraph b) have been marked during the inventorying with a unique identifier for each log. A list of the identifiers will be attached to each of the CITES pre-Convention certificates.

d) The operation faced difficulties at first and only 9,021.656 m3 have been exported to date. The remaining stockpile, that is, 15,317.344 m3, can be exported until the end of 2018. No pre-Convention logs of P. erinaceus will be authorized for export by the Management Authority of Guinea-Bissau after 31 December 2018.

e) The Government of Guinea-Bissau reiterates its commitment to allocate 30 per cent of the income from the export on projects for the conservation of Pterocarpus erinaceus in Guinea-Bissau to be identified in consultation with all stakeholders.

f) This Notification replaces Notification to the Parties No 2018/10 of 22 January 2018.