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PROPOSALS FOR THE AMENDMENT OF THE APPENDICES OF THE CONVENTION

(Prepared by the Secretariat)

Summary:

This document summarizes proposals for the amendment of CMS Appendices submitted for consideration by the 13th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP13). The full text of all supporting statements is being made available to COP13 as separate documents.

The Conference of the Parties is expected to review the proposals for amendments to the Appendices and make decisions as regards the approval or rejection of the proposals.

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- 1. In accordance with the provisions of Article XI of the Convention, the Secretariat received proposals for amendments to Appendices I and II of the Convention for consideration by the 13th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP13). The species covered by the proposals are set out in the table contained in the Annex of this document, together with the Parties proposing the amendment. Parties were advised of the proposals received through Notification 2019/018 of 24 September 2019.
- 2. The proposals for amendment referred to above are accompanied by supporting statements based on the format agreed by the 12th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP12, Manila, 2017) and contained in Annex 2 to Resolution 11.33 (Rev.COP12) Guidelines for Assessing Listing Proposals to Appendices I and II of the Convention. The supporting statements are made available to COP13 as separate documents (UNEP/CMS/COP13/Doc.27.1.xx). The texts of the proposals are translated into the working languages of the Conference of the Parties.
- 3. For one species (*Sphyrna zygaena*) proposals have been submitted independently by Brazil and by the European Union and its Member States. The two proposals have different geographic scope. They are indicated as distinct proposals in the Annex to this document and will be included as separate documents in the COP13 documentation.
- 4. In accordance with Article XI, paragraph 3, of the Convention, Parties are requested to communicate any comments on the proposals to the Secretariat by 19 December 2019. All comments received by that deadline will be compiled by the Secretariat as an addendum to this document.
- 5. Pursuant to paragraph 5 of Resolution 11.33 (Rev.COP12), the Secretariat will consult other relevant intergovernmental bodies, including RFMOs, having a function in relation to any species subject to a proposal for amendment of the Appendices. Comments originating from these consultations and received by 19 December 2019 will also be compiled by the Secretariat as an addendum to this document.
- 6. Details on the handling of comments and amendment of proposals can be found in Annex 1 to the Report of the 48th Meeting of the Standing Committee (Bonn, 23-24 October 2018).
- 7. All the proposals will be examined by the 4th meeting of the Sessional Committee of the CMS Scientific Council (Bonn, 12-15 November 2019), which will assess them from a scientific and technical standpoint and provide advice to the Conference of the Parties.

Recommended actions

- 8. The Conference of the Parties is recommended to:
 - a) review the proposals for amendments to the Appendices;
 - b) make decisions regarding the approval or rejection of each of the proposals.

ANNEX

SUMMARY OF PROPOSALS FOR AMENDMENT OF APPENDICES I AND II OF THE CONVENTION

Submitted by

Argentina	(ARG)
Australia	(AUS)
Bolivia, Plurinational State of	(BOL)
Brazil	(BRA)
Chile	(CHL)
Costa Rica	(CRI)
European Union and its Member States	(EU)
India	(IND)
Iran, Islamic Republic of	(IRN)
New Zealand	(NZL)
Paraguay	(PRY)
Peru	(PER)
Tajikistan	(TJK)
Uruguay	(URY)
Uzbekistan	(UZB)

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Doc. No.	Scientific Name	Annotations	Common name	Proposed Amendment	Proponent Party/Parties
	MAMMALIA				
27.1.1	Elephas maximus indicus		Mainland Asian Elephant	Inclusion in Appendix I	IND
27.1.2	Panthera onca		Jaguar	Inclusion in Appendix I & II	CRI, ARG, BOL, PER, PRY, URY
27.1.3	Ovis vignei	All subspecies and the entire population, except hybrid populations.	Urial	Inclusion in Appendix II	TJK, UZB, IRN
	AVES				
27.1.4	Ardeotis nigriceps		Great Indian Bustard	Inclusion in Appendix I	IND
27.1.5	Houbaropsis bengalensis bengalensis		Bengal Florican	Inclusion in Appendix I	IND
27.1.6	Tetrax tetrax		Little Bustard	Inclusion in Appendix I & II	EU
27.1.7	Diomedea antipodensis	Current CMS Appendix II listing will remain in place.	Antipodean Albatross	Inclusion in Appendix I	NZL, AUS, CHL
	PISCES				
27.1.8	Carcharhinus longimanus		Oceanic White-tip Shark	Inclusion in Appendix I	BRA
27.1.9(a)	Sphyrna zygaena	Regional population occurring in the EEZ of Brazil, Uruguay, Argentina and adjacent international waters	Smooth Hammerhead Shark	Inclusion in Appendix II	BRA
27.1.9(b)	Sphyrna zygaena		Smooth Hammerhead Shark	Inclusion in Appendix II	EU
27.1.10	Galeorhinus galeus		Tope Shark	Inclusion in Appendix II	EU