

**SCIENTIFIC COUNCIL COMMENTS**  
(arising from ScC-SC2)

**PROPOSAL FOR INCLUSION OF THE CHIMPANZEE (*Pan troglodytes*) ON  
APPENDIX I AND II OF THE CONVENTION  
UNEP/CMS/COP12/Doc.25.1.1**

**RECOMMENDATIONS TO COP12**

- Recommended for adoption.

**GENERAL COMMENTS ON THE DOCUMENT**

- The Working Group considered the proposal and agreed that it satisfies the listing criteria of the Convention, following the conclusion of the Chair that the proposal is being submitted at a time when the species requires urgent protection.

**COMMENTS ON SPECIFIC SECTIONS/ INCLUDING POSSIBLE PROPOSALS FOR TEXT REVISION**

- Page 3, para.3 (Migrations)  
In response to a question on the cyclical and predictable nature of the species' migration patterns, as well as the on the significant proportion requirement, the participant speaking on behalf of the proponents replied that all chimpanzee range states had one or more populations that are transboundary, with the exception of Tanzania which had historical transboundary populations. Although little research had been done that could be used to quantify proportions of individuals crossing, extrapolation of our knowledge of chimpanzee movements, together with anecdotal evidence from the Mayombe Forest on the borders of DRC, Congo and Angola, from the Mondika Research Centre near where Congo borders with Central African Republic and from the now extirpated population that used to migrate seasonally from Côte d'Ivoire into Burkina Faso indicates this species frequently crosses the international borders in search of food.