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Notification
to the Signatory and Acceding States
to the Convention on International Trade
in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES),
concluded in Washington on 3 March 1973

I. Reservations with respect to amendments adopted during the 12th meeting of the Conference of the Parties

Pursuant to article XV, paragraph 3 of the Convention, any Party may by notification in writing to the Depositary Government make a reservation with respect to amendments to Appendices I and II adopted at a meeting of the Conference of the Parties during a period of 90 days after the end of that meeting. For the amendments adopted by the Conference of the Parties at its 12th meeting, held in Santiago from 3 to 15 November 2002, this period ended on 13 February 2003.

Within this period, the following reservations have been made:

Party	date	species	Annex
Iceland	10/02/03	Rhincodon typus	II
		Cetorhinus maximus	II
Japan	10/02/03	Rhincodon typus	II
		Cetorhinus maximus	II
		Hippocampus spp	II
Republic of Indonesia	11/02/03	Rhincodon typus	II
		Cetorhinus maximus	II
		Hippocampus spp	II
Republic of the Philippines	11/02/03	Ara Couloni	I
		Amazona ochrocephala auropalliatea	I
		Amazona ochrocephala oratrix	I
		Amazona ochrocephala parpives	I
		Amazona ochrocephala tresmariae	I
		Amazona ochrocephala ochrocephala	I

Party	date	species	Annex
Kingdom of Norway	12/02/03	Rhincodon typus	II
		Cetorhinus maximus	II
		Hippocampus spp	II
Republic of Korea	13/02/03	Rhincodon typus	II
		Cetorhinus maximus	II
		Hippocampus spp	II

When depositing its reservations, the Kingdom of Norway made the following declaration (original English version):

"It is our understanding, however, that Cetorhinus maximus and in particular Hippocampus spp. may benefit from being listed in Annex II. Norway may therefore reconsider its reservations when the new CITES-criteria are adopted and when FAO has finished its work concerning the relationship and cooperation between CITES and regional fisheries organisations."

II. Accession by the Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya

On 28 January 2003, the Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya deposited with the Swiss Government an instrument of accession to the CITES. According to its article XXII, paragraph 2, the Convention, amended in Bonn on 22 June 1979, will enter into force for the Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya 90 days after the deposit of the instrument of accession, i.e. on 28 April 2003.

The present notification is addressed to the Governments of the Signatory and Acceding States in conformity with article XXV, paragraph 2, of the CITES.

Berne, 5 March 2003

