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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 reference to the amendments to Appendices I and II by Canada, Indonesia, Japan, Palau, Thailand and Yemen

The following States entered reservations with reference to the amendments to Appendices I and II of the Convention, adopted at the nineteenth Session of the Conference of the Parties (Panama, 14 – 25 November 2022).

- With note received on 7 February 2023, Canada enters a reservation with respect to the amendments to the Appendices I and II in order to implement domestic legal requirements.
- With note received on 16 February 2023, the Republic of Indonesia enters reservations with respect to the inclusion in Appendix II of *Copsychus malabaricus*, valid until 25 November 2023 and therefore considered as withdrawn as from 26 November 2023, the inclusion of *Carcharnidae* spp., valid until 25 May 2024 and therefore considered as withdrawn as from 26 May 2024, and the inclusion of *Thelenota* spp., valid until 25 May 2025 and therefore considered as withdrawn as from 26 May 2025.
- With note received on 16 February 2023, Japan enters a reservation with respect to the inclusion of *Prionace glauca* in Appendix II.
Japan formulated at the same time the following declaration (original English text):
«1. Japan makes [this reservation] primarily due to the fact that those species do not meet the criteria for inclusion thereof in Appendix II, as concluded by the FAO Expert Advisory Panel for the assessment of proposals to amend Appendices I and II concerning commercially exploited aquatic species.
2. Nonetheless, Japan is continuously committed to conservation and management of *Prionace glauca* on which it has made reservation through domestic regulations and/or cooperation with other countries and organizations such as relevant Regional Fisheries Management Organizations.
3. Notwithstanding paragraph 3 of Article XV of CITES, upon exporting *Prionace glauca* to all countries including those which are not parties to CITES, Japan will voluntarily conduct procedures related to export permits that are required under CITES, in accordance with its relevant laws and regulations.»
In the same note, Japan confirms two previous reservations regarding *Carcharhinus longimanus* and *Carcharhinus falciformis*.
- With note received on 9 February 2023, the Republic of Palau enters a reservation with respect to the inclusion of *Prionace glauca* in Appendix II.
- With note received on 20 February 2023, the Kingdom of Thailand enters a reservation with respect to the inclusion of *Carcharhinidae* in Appendix II for a period of six years or until

25 November 2028 in order to complete its domestic preparation for complying with the amendment; therefore it will be considered as withdrawn as from 26 November 2028.

- With note received on 16 February 2023, the Republic of Yemen enters a reservation with respect to the inclusion of *Prionace glauca* in Appendix II.

II. Late reservation by Saint Lucia

With note sent and received on 24 February 2023, Saint Lucia wished to enter a reservation with respect to the inclusion of *Prionace glauca* in Appendix II. Since this reservation was received after the deadline of 23 February 2023, this reservation is late (see also Resolution Conf. 4.25 (Rev. CoP19) of the Conference of the Parties «request[ing] the Depositary Government not to consider valid any reservation with respect to an amendment to Appendix I or II entered after the 90-day deadline»).

III. Reservations with reference to amendments to Appendix III by Canada and the United Kingdom

With note received on 7 February 2023, Canada enters reservations with respect to the amendments to Appendix III as per the Secretariat's Notifications to the Parties No. 2022/077 dated 3 November 2022 and No. 2022/081 dated 25 November 2022 in order to implement domestic legal requirements.

With letter received on 23 February 2023, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland enters a reservation against the inclusion in Appendix III of *Melopyrrha nigra* and *Tiaris canorus* following communication by Cuba, of *Caribena versicolor* following communication by the European Union and of *Conophytum* spp., *Mestoklema tuberosum*, *Raphionacme zeyheri*, *Crassothonna cacalioides*, *Crassothonna clavifolia*, *Othonna armiana*, *Othonna euphorbioides*, *Othonna retrorsa*, *Tylecodon bodleyae*, *Tylecodon nolteei*, *Tylecodon reticulatus*, *Monsonia herrei*, *Monsonia multifida*, *Monsonia patersonii*, *Pelargonium crassicaule*, *Pelargonium triste*, *Adenia spinosa*, and *Portulacaria pygmaea* following communication by South Africa, the reservation applying to Anguilla; Bermuda; British Antarctic Territory; British Indian Ocean Territory; Montserrat; Pitcairn, Henderson, Ducie and Oeno Islands; Tristan da Cunha; South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands; Turks and Caicos Islands; UK Sovereign Base Areas; Bailiwick of Guernsey, the Bailiwick of Jersey; the Isle of Man; and Northern Ireland.

By the same letter, the United Kingdom also enters a reservation against the inclusion of *Daboia palaestinae* in Appendix III following communication by Israel, this reservation applying to the United Kingdom; Anguilla; Bermuda; British Antarctic Territory; British Indian Ocean Territory; Montserrat; Pitcairn, Henderson, Ducie and Oeno Islands; Tristan da Cunha; South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands; Turks and Caicos Islands; UK Sovereign Base Areas; Bailiwick of Guernsey, the Bailiwick of Jersey; and the Isle of Man.

IV. Partial withdrawal of a reservation by the United Kingdom

With letter received on 23 February 2023, the United Kingdom withdraws, with effect from 23 February 2023, insofar as it applies to the British Virgin Islands and Great Britain but without affecting the status of the reservation in respect of Bermuda, Bailiwick of Guernsey, Isle of Man, Bailiwick of Jersey, Montserrat and Northern Ireland, the reservation it has entered on 30 June 2022 against the inclusion in Appendix III of *Ctenophorus* spp., *Intelligama* spp., *Tympanocryptis* spp., *Carphodactylus* spp., *Nephrurus* spp., *Orraya* spp., *Phyllurus* spp., *Saltuarius* spp., *Strophurus* spp., *Underwoodisaurus* spp., *Uvidicolus* spp., *Egernia* spp., *Tiliqua adelaidensis*, *Tiliqua multifasciata*, *Tiliqua nigrolutea*, *Tiliqua occipitalis*, *Tiliqua rugosa*, *Tiliqua scincoides intermedia*, *Tiliqua scincoides scincoides* and *Holacanthus limbaughi*.

The present notification is addressed to the Governments of the Signatory and Acceding States by the Depositary (www.fdfa.admin.ch/depositary) in conformity with article XXV, paragraph 2, of the CITES.

Berne, 8 March 2023

