



FEDERAL DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

p.o.412.30.

**Notification
to the Signatory or Contracting States
to the Convention on International Trade
in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora
concluded at Washington on 3 March 1973**

1. Withdrawal of reservations

- By note dated 23 July 1990, registered on 25 July 1990, the Federal Republic of Germany has withdrawn the reservation made against the Colombian proposal of including the species *Semnornis ramphastinus* in Appendix III.
- By note dated 20 June 1990, registered on 3 August 1990, the Portuguese Republic has withdrawn the reservation made against the Indian and Colombian proposals of including new species in Appendix III, excepted the species *Vulpes vulpes griffithi*, *Vulpes vulpes montana*, *Vulpes vulpes pusilla* and *Mustela erminea*.
- By note dated 24 August 1990, registered on 28 August 1990, the People's Republic of China has withdrawn the reservation made concerning African Elephant (*Loxodonta Africana*); this withdrawal shall take effect on 11 January 1991.

2. Acceptance of the Amendment of Gaborone

- The Kingdom of Morocco has deposited with the Swiss Government, on 7 August 1990, an instrument of acceptance of the Amendment of Gaborone, of 30 April 1983, to article XXI of the Convention.

- The Republic of Malawi has deposited, on 17 August 1990, an instrument of acceptance of the Amendment of Gaborone, of 30 April 1983, to article XXI of the Convention.

3. Communication of Japan concerning the date of entry into force for the Soviet Union of the Amendment of Bonn

By note dated 16 August 1990, registered on 20 August 1990, the Embassy of Japan at Berne made the following communication:

"The Embassy of Japan presents its compliments to the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs and, with regard to the Notification p.o.412.30 on 25th June concerning the Acceptance of the amendment to Article XI (3)(a) of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora by the Soviet Union, has the honour to inform the latter the following view of the Government of Japan.

In accordance with Article XVII (3) of the above-mentioned Convention, the amendment should enter into force for Soviet Union also 60 days after it deposits its instrument of acceptance of the amendment. The Government of Japan cannot find any grounds for justifying the entering into force of the above-mentioned amendment on 1st January 1991 as was designated by the Soviet Union."

The present notification is addressed to the Governments of the Signatory or Contracting States in conformity with article XXV, paragraph 2, of the Convention.

Berne, 4 September 1990
