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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

Reservations by the Republic of Yemen, by the Cooperative Republic of Guyana, by Japan, by the Kingdom of Denmark, by Canada and by Iceland

The following States entered reservations with reference to the amendments to Appendices I and II of the Convention, adopted at the sixteenth Session of the Conference of the Parties (Bangkok, 3-14 April 2013) and entered into force on 12 June 2013.

- With note received on 25 April 2013, the Republic of Yemen enters a reservation with reference to the inclusion of Sphyrna lewini, Sphyrna mokarran and Sphyrna zygaena in Appendix II of the Convention.
- With note received on 7 May 2013, the Cooperative Republic of Guyana enters a reservation with reference to the inclusion of *Carcharhinus longimanus*, *Sphyrna lewini*, *Sphyrna mokarran*, *Sphyrna zygaena*, *Lamna nasus* and *Manta* spp. in Appendix II of the Convention.
- With letter received on 29 May 2013, Japan enters a reservation with reference to the inclusion of Carcharhinus longimanus, Sphyrna lewini, Sphyrna mokarran, Sphyrna zygaena and Lamna nasus in Appendix II of the Convention.
 - Japan formulated at the same time the following declaration (original English text):
 - «1.Through regional fisheries management organizations and in cooperation with other countries, Japan will continue to make efforts in conservation and management of the shark species on which it made reservations.
 - 2. Notwithstanding paragraph 3 of Article XV of the CITES, upon exporting the abovementioned shark species to all countries including those which are not a party to CITES, Japan will voluntarily conduct procedures related to export permits that are required under CITES, in accordance with its relevant laws and regulations.
 - 3. Japan is ready to contribute, from the technical point of view, to the discussions to be held during the 18 months preparatory period with regard to such issues as the guidance to identify regulated shark fin.»
- With letter received on 31 May 2013, the Kingdom of Denmark enters a reservation with reference to the inclusion of *Lamna nasus* in Appendix II of the Convention in its application to Greenland.
- With note received on 5 June 2013, Canada enters a reservation with respect to the amendments to the Appendices I and II of the Convention, due to the necessity to complete its domestic legal requirements for the entry into force of these amendments.

- With note received on 12 June 2013, Iceland enters a reservation with reference to the inclusion of *Lamna nasus* in Appendix II of the Convention.

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.

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