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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. Correction to the territorial declarations by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland***

On 9 May 2016, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland informed the Swiss Federal Council of a correction to its territorial declarations relating to the Amendments to the CITES, concluded at Bonn on 22 June 1979 and at Gaborone on 30 April 1983, as follows:

*On 2 August 1976, the CITES was extended to the Falkland Islands, but not to the Falkland Island Dependencies. On 28 November 1980, the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland notified the Depositary in error of the acceptance of the Bonn Amendment in respect of the Falkland Islands and Dependencies. It wishes to correct this error and hereby confirms that it accepts the Bonn Amendment in respect of the Territory of the Falkland Islands only, not the Dependencies of the Falklands Islands, now the Territory of South Georgia and South Sandwich Islands. Similarly, on 13 December 1985, it notified the Depositary in error of the acceptance of the Gaborone Amendment in respect of South Georgia and South Sandwich Islands. It wishes to correct this error and hereby confirms that it does not accept the Gaborone Amendment in respect of the Territory of South Georgia and South Sandwich Islands.*

***II. Territorial declaration by the People's Republic of China***

On 10 May 2016, the People's Republic of China deposited with the Swiss Federal Council a declaration according to which the Amendment to the CITES, concluded at Gaborone on 30 April 1983, applies to the Hong Kong and Macao Special Administrative Regions of the People's Republic of China.

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

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