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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. Withdrawal of a reservation by the Russian Federation

On 20 July 1999, the Russian Federation has withdrawn its reservation, made by the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics on 23 June 1977 pursuant to article XV, paragraph 3 of CITES, with respect to *Lutra lutra*.

II. Accession to the Convention and acceptance of the amendment of Gaborone by Grenada

On 30 August 1999, Grenada deposited with the Swiss Government an instrument of accession to CITES. According to its article XXII, paragraph 2, the Convention, amended in Bonn on 22 June 1979, will enter into force for Grenada 90 days after the deposit of the instrument of accession, i.e. on 28 November 1999.

Grenada has also accepted the amendment of article XXI of the Convention, adopted at Gaborone on 30 April 1983.

This amendment has not entered into force yet.

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, 12 November 1999

