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The Director-General

Brussels,
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Dear Petitioner,

Thank you for your email in which you raise the plight of the guanaco.

We take note of your concerns and petition concerning Resolution No. 109 of the Honourable Chamber of Deputies of the Province of Santa Cruz, to consider the guanaco (*Lama guanicoe*) as endangered species.

The guanaco (*Lama guanicoe*) has been listed since 1978 in Appendix II to the CITES (Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species). This means that international commercial trade is permitted provided that exporting countries demonstrate that trade will not be detrimental to the survival of the species in the wild.

I would like to emphasise that the EU implements strictly the CITES Convention's provisions as far as trade with the EU is concerned. The EU has no competence with respect to domestic action taken by a non EU country.

Karl Falkenberg