

**SHORT SUMMARY OF CONCLUSIONS OF THE 46TH MEETING OF THE SCIENTIFIC
REVIEW GROUP ON TRADE IN WILD FAUNA AND FLORA¹
2 DECEMBER 2008**

The SRG took the following decisions under Articles 4.1 (a) (i) and 4.2 (a) of Council Regulation (EC) N° 338/97:

1) Negative opinions² for import of specimens from the following species / countries combinations:

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| <i>Odobenus rosmarus</i> | Greenland (present suspension confirmed) |
| <i>Ursus maritimus</i> | Canada (subpopulations Baffin Bay, Kane Basin) |
| <i>Pericopsis elata</i> | Congo (by written procedure) |

2) Negative opinions² for import of specimens from the following species / countries combinations confirmed / maintained – NOT to be formalised in the Suspensions Regulation:

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| <i>Prunus africana</i> | Cameroon |
| <i>Prunus africana</i> | Democratic Republic of the Congo |

3) No opinions for import of specimens of the following species / countries combinations

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| <i>Odobenus rosmarus laptevi</i> | Russian Federation (confirmed) All applications to be referred to SRG |
| <i>Odobenus rosmarus rosmarus</i> | Russian Federation (confirmed) All applications to be referred to SRG |
| <i>Chamaeleo senegalensis</i> | Benin (R) All applications to be referred to SRG |
| <i>Chamaeleo senegalensis</i> | Ghana (R) (confirmed) |
| <i>Calabaria reinhardtii</i> | Ghana (R) |

¹ Subject to confirmation by the Members of the Scientific Review Group. Further, it is understood that the above opinions are also those of each Scientific Authority and will be reflected in any opinion given in relation to the application of Art. 4.1(a) and 4.2(a) of Regulation 338/97. These opinions will remain valid unless or until circumstances related to the trade or conservation status of the species change significantly.

² Recommendation based on the following guidelines: The species is in trade or is likely to be in trade, and introduction to the Community from the country of origin at current or anticipated levels of trade is likely to have a harmful effect on the conservation status of the species or the extent of the territory occupied by the species.

4) **Positive opinions for import of specimens of the following species / countries combinations:**

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| <i>Lycalopex griseus</i> | Argentina (confirmed) |
| <i>Lycalopex gymnocercus</i> | Argentina |
| <i>Odobenus rosmarus</i> | Canada |
| <i>Odobenus rosmarus divergens</i> | USA, Russian Federation |
| <i>Ursus maritimus</i> | Canada (all subpopulations except Baffin Bay, Kane Basin) |
| <i>Equus zebra hartmannae</i> | Namibia |
| <i>Chamaeleo senegalensis</i> | Ghana (W) (confirmed) |
| <i>Phelsuma parkeri</i> | Tanzania |
| <i>Tupinambis rufescens</i> | Argentina (confirmed) |
| <i>Varanus exanthematicus</i> | Ghana (W; R) |
| <i>Calabaria reinhardtii</i> | Ghana (W) |
| <i>Python sebae</i> | Ghana (W; R) (confirmed) |
| <i>Prunus africana</i> | Uganda |

- 5) ***Prunus africana* / Cameroon and Tanzania:** The SRG decided not to accept import of old stocks from both Cameroon and Tanzania unless further information on origin and sustainable management of the harvested trees becomes available.
- 6) ***Prunus africana* / Uganda:** The SRG agreed to a positive opinion, based on an export quota to be set by Uganda of 75,9 tonnes. Furthermore the SRG agreed to the import of one specific shipment presently under consideration.
- 7) ***Hippocampus reidi* (C) / Brazil:** The SRG decided not to accept source code "C" for one specific breeding facility in Brazil.
- 8) ***Cycas revoluta* (A) / Viet Nam:** The SRG decided to accept imports with source code "A" from Viet Nam. It stressed however the need for clear identification of the species and subsequently controls on imports.
- 9) Based on a review of Annex B (Appendix III) species against the criteria in Council Regulation 338/97, the SRG recommended that the Commission retain the species *Odobenus rosmarus* on Annex B and transfer the following Annex B species to Annex C on the occasion of a future revision of the annexes of Council Regulation 338/97:
- *Crax daubentoni*
 - *Crax globulosa*
 - *Crax rubra*
 - *Ortalis vetula*
 - *Pauxi pauxi*
 - *Penelopina nigra*
 - *Arborophila campbelli*
 - *Arborophila charltonii*
 - *Lophura erythrophthalma*

- *Lophura ignita*
- *Semnornis ramphastinus*
- *Bailloni bailloni*
- *Pteroglossus castanotis*
- *Ramphastos dicolorus*
- *Selenidera maculirostris*

10) The SRG reviewed the trade in non-CITES **amphibian species** and recommended that the Commission would include the following species to Annex D of Council Regulation 338/97 on the occasion of a future revision of the annexes in order to monitor trade levels in these species.

- *Ranodon sibiricus*
- *Cynops ensicauda*
- *Echinotriton andersoni*
- *Paramesotriton* spp.
- *Salamandra algira*
- *Tylotriton* spp.

11) **International trade in aquatic ornamental species:** The consultation process carried out by UNEP-WCMC has now been finalised. The SRG agreed to liaise with the EU veterinary authorities to see whether trade data could be collected in a practical matter through EU veterinary legislation. If that route failed, the SRG recommends to add the previously identified 14 aquatic ornamental species (SRG 31) to Annex D.

12) ***Alveopora viridis* / Solomon Islands:** The SRG agreed to remove this species / country combination from the UNEP-WCMC database since there is no evidence of its occurrence in the Solomon Islands. Other species recently confirmed in a marine assessment by the Solomon Islands government to occur in the Solomon Islands will be added to the database.

13) ***Amazona ochrocephala magna*:** The SRG agreed that the subspecies *Amazona ochrocephala magna* should be considered to be with the species *A. oratrix* on Appendix I / Annex A in line with the original listing of this taxon. The nomenclature oversight will be corrected in the annexes and CITES appendices as soon as possible.

14) Interpretation of **captive-breeding criteria:** The SRG reconfirmed the approach with regard to assessing specimens being born and bred in captivity (art. 54(4) of EC (No) 685/2006) as reflected in the SRG guidelines (footnote to annex G).