

**SHORT SUMMARY OF CONCLUSIONS OF THE 55TH MEETING OF THE SCIENTIFIC
REVIEW GROUP ON TRADE IN WILD FAUNA AND FLORA¹
11 MARCH 2011**

The SRG took the following decisions² under Articles 4.1(a)(i) and 4.2(a) of Council Regulation (EC) No. 338/97:

1) Negative opinions³ for import of specimens from the following species / countries combinations:

<i>Balearica pavonina</i>	Sudan
<i>Tridacna crocea</i>	Cambodia
<i>Tridacna squamosa</i>	Cambodia
<i>Tridacna maxima</i>	Cambodia
<i>Nardostachys grandiflora</i>	Nepal
* <i>Stephanoaetus coronatus</i>	Tanzania (agreed by written procedure on 7 February 2011)
* <i>Torgos tracheliotus</i>	Tanzania (agreed by written procedure on 7 February 2011)
* <i>Mantella pulchra</i>	Madagascar (agreed by written procedure on 28 February 2011)

2) Confirmation of current suspensions as listed in Regulation (EC) No. 997/2010

<i>Moschus moschiferus</i>	Russia
<i>Canis lupus</i>	Kyrgyzstan
<i>Python molurus</i>	China

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

<i>Moschus anhuiensis</i>	China
<i>Moschus berezovskii</i>	China
<i>Moschus chrysogaster</i>	China
<i>Moschus fuscus</i>	China
<i>Moschus moschiferus</i>	China
<i>Lynx lynx</i>	Azerbaijan

¹ Further, it is understood that the above opinions are also those of each Member State's 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 Unless specifically stated otherwise, all decisions relate to wild specimens.

³ 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.

<i>Varanus salvator</i>	China
<i>Varanus salvator</i>	India
<i>Varanus salvator</i>	Singapore
<i>Python reticulatus</i>	India
<i>Python reticulatus</i>	Singapore
<i>Geochelone elegans</i>	Pakistan All applications to be referred to SRG
<i>Geochelone platynota</i>	Myanmar All applications to be referred to SRG
<i>Indotestudo elongata</i>	Bangladesh
<i>Indotestudo elongata</i>	China
<i>Indotestudo elongata</i>	India
<i>Encephalartos</i> spp.	South Africa (A, D)
<i>Swietenia macrophylla</i>	Nicaragua All applications to be referred to SRG
<i>Flickingeria fimbriata</i>	Vietnam All applications to be referred to SRG

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

<i>Ursus arctos</i>	Canada (hunting trophies from the Northwest Territories)
<i>Mantella betsileo</i>	Madagascar (confirmed)
<i>Mantella nigricans</i>	Madagascar (confirmed)
<i>Hirudo verbana</i>	Turkey (confirmed)
<i>Hirudo medicinalis</i>	Turkey (confirmed)
<i>Cibotium barometz</i>	Vietnam
<i>Prunus africana</i>	Cameroon (quota of 150000 kg for 2010 and 150000 kg for 2011; subject to clear indication in the export permit of the northwest region as origin)

5) Import suspensions for the following species / countries combinations recommended for removal:

<i>Moschus anhuiensis</i>	China ⁴
<i>Moschus berezovskii</i>	China ⁴
<i>Moschus chrysogaster</i>	China ⁴
<i>Moschus fuscus</i>	China ⁴
<i>Moschus moschiferus</i>	China ⁴
<i>Lynx lynx</i>	Azerbaijan ⁴
<i>Varanus salvator</i>	China ⁴
<i>Varanus salvator</i>	India ⁴
<i>Varanus salvator</i>	Singapore ⁴

⁴ The decision on the amendment for this species / country combination will come into effect when the Suspension Regulation is next revised.

<i>Python reticulatus</i>	India ⁴
<i>Python reticulatus</i>	Singapore ⁴
<i>Geochelone elegans</i>	Pakistan ⁴
<i>Geochelone platynota</i>	Myanmar ⁴
<i>Indotestudo elongata</i>	Bangladesh ⁴
<i>Indotestudo elongata</i>	China ⁴
<i>Indotestudo elongata</i>	India ⁴