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Dear Sir/Madam,

Amendments to the Appendices of CITES
following the 19th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties

Further to our circular letter no. ES 03/22 dated 7 October 2022 concerning the proposals to amend the Appendices of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES), please be informed that the 19th meeting of the Conference of the Parties (CoP19) to CITES held in Panama in November 2022 has adopted some of the proposed amendments to Appendices I and II¹. In addition, CITES Secretariat also issued notifications to amend the species listed in Appendix III². This Department is initiating an amendment to the Protection of Endangered Species of Animals and Plants Ordinance (“the Ordinance”), Cap. 586 to reflect these changes to the Appendices and shall inform you the details at a later stage. Please refer to our website at www.cites.hk (under What’s New) or the link below for the list of the adopted amendments to the appendices:

www.afcd.gov.hk/english/conservation/con_end/files/ES01_23_Annex.pdf



While the new controls will only be implemented in Hong Kong after the legislative amendment to the Ordinance, the above amendments to the CITES Appendices shall enter into force on 23 February 2023³. Some countries may implement the new CITES controls starting from the above effective date, such as adopting relevant import and export controls over the newly listed species, and require

¹ For details, please refer to CITES Notification: No. 2023/005.

² For details, please refer to CITES Notifications: No. 2022/073, 2022/077 and 2022/081.

³ The effective date of the inclusion of straw-crowned bulbul and requiem sharks is delayed until 25 November 2023; *Thelenota* spp. is delayed until 25 May 2024; trumpet trees and *Dipteryx* spp. is delayed until 25 November 2024.

CITES documents for the related shipments. In addition to the requirements under the Ordinance that are in effect, please be reminded to also observe and comply with the latest requirements of the relevant countries and regions in relation to CITES when importing/exporting endangered species. You may seek assistance from this Department where necessary.

The import, introduction from the sea, export, re-export or possession of all newly scheduled species will be subject to licensing control when the amendments to the Ordinance come into effect, unless exempted or otherwise specified. If the newly listed species are legally acquired before they are included into the CITES Appendices, they are regarded as “pre-Convention” and are entitled to relevant exemption in accordance with the Ordinance. If you are in possession of any pre-Convention stock of the newly scheduled species, you may complete and return the attached **Declaration Form(s)** by email, fax or mail to declare your stock to this Department on or before 22 February 2023⁴ so as to facilitate the possession, export or re-export of the stock after the commencement of the new legislative controls. This Department will arrange inspection for the stocks after receiving the declarations.

If you have any enquiries regarding the above, please give us an e-mail at hk_cites@afcd.gov.hk or a fax at 2376 3749, or contact our officers:

For enquiries about animals – Ms. Bo Bo Koh (Tel. 2150 6969)

For enquiries about plants – Mr. Kinson Chan (Tel. 2150 6968)

Yours faithfully,


(Timothy LAM)

For Director of Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation

⁴ On or before 24 November 2023 for straw-crowned bulbul and requiem sharks; on or before 24 May 2024 for *Thelenota* spp.; on or before 24 November 2024 for trumpet trees and *Dipteryx* spp.

風鈴木屬、金鈴木屬、粉鈴木屬及香二翅豆屬所有種「《公約》前」存貨申報表
Declaration Form for Pre-Convention Stock of Trumpet Trees and *Dipteryx* spp.

請於 2024 年 11 月 24 日或之前交回漁農自然護理署
Please return to AFCD on or before 24 November 2024

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本人 / 本公司現持有以下新列明物種「《公約》前」存貨：

I / My company am / is in possession of the following pre-Convention stock of newly scheduled species:

序號 No.	物種學名 Scientific name of species	標本類型 (如中成藥、木材、活生個體等) Type of specimen (e.g. Chinese medicine, timber, live specimen etc.)	存貨結餘 Stock Balance	
			數量 Quantity	單位 Unit

姓名/Name: _____ 簽名/Signature: _____

公司名稱/ _____ 公司印章/
Company name: _____ Company stamp: _____

聯絡地址/
Corresponding address: _____

電話/Telephone No.: _____ 傳真/Fax No.: _____ 日期/Date: _____