



NOTIFICATION TO THE PARTIES

No. 2010/011

Geneva, 26 May 2010

CONCERNING:

Conservation of and trade in tigers

1. At its 15th meeting, the Conference of the Parties (Doha, 2010) noted that there was currently no adequate overview of criminal activities affecting tigers, which pose a considerable threat to the species. Consequently, the meeting adopted the following Decisions:

Directed to the Parties, especially tiger range States

15.46 *All Parties, but particularly tiger range States, should submit, by 30 June 2010, information relating to incidents of poaching of and illegal trade in tigers that have occurred within their territory since the beginning of 2007. Information should be submitted using the Ecomessage format distributed in Notification to the Parties No. 2009/028 of 22 July 2009. Ecomessage forms for each incident should be submitted to the CITES Secretariat or to the General Secretariat of ICPO-INTERPOL via INTERPOL National Central Bureaus.*

Directed to the Secretariat

15.47 *The Secretariat shall collaborate with ICPO-INTERPOL to undertake an analysis of the information received from Parties. Two reports, one for public consumption and the other solely for the law enforcement community, should be prepared. The public document will be posted on the CITES website, whilst the other will be circulated in a restricted fashion to relevant enforcement agencies. The Secretariat shall report on this matter at the 61st meeting of the Standing Committee and make any relevant recommendations as a result of the analysis.*

2. A number of Parties stated that they would appreciate the deadline being extended. Consequently, although it can not extend a deadline established by the Conference of the Parties, the Secretariat will take into account all Ecomessages received by 31 July 2010. This date has been established taking into account the Heads-of-State Tiger Summit, which is planned to take place in Vladivostok, the Russian Federation, in mid-September 2010. The Secretariat and ICPO-INTERPOL wish to have an initial analysis ready for this important event and urge Parties to submit as much information as possible to enable this to be achieved.