

Dear JSCOT Secretariat – please find below information that the Department took on notice at the JSCOT public hearing for CMS COP13 amendments, held on Monday 15 June. It would be appreciated if you could circulate to members.

CITES electronic permitting system

eCITES is an electronic permitting system designed for use by developing countries, or countries that do not have electronic permitting and reporting capabilities, in order to meet their CITES obligations. It is currently being piloted in Sri Lanka. A number of CITES Parties, including Australia, already use sophisticated electronic permitting systems.

Australia has been a strong advocate for utilising digital technologies to manage trade of wildlife. The eCITES Base Solution system appears to be a promising opportunity for CITES Parties that do not currently have a suitable electronic permitting system to adopt or enhance those capabilities.

The Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment is exploring opportunities for supporting the rollout of eCITES in developing countries in the Oceania region, including through partnerships with New Zealand and the Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP).

Reservations to CMS

Australia has reservations in place for 10 species listed in Appendix II of CMS:

Common name	Scientific Name	Appendix	Year submitted
Bigeye Thresher Shark	<i>Alopias superciliosus</i>	Appendix II	2014
Common Thresher Shark	<i>Alopias vulpinus</i>	Appendix II	2014
Pelagic Thresher Shark	<i>Alopias pelagicus</i>	Appendix II	2014
Scalloped Hammerhead Shark	<i>Sphyrna lewini</i>	Appendix II	2014
Great Hammerhead Shark	<i>Sphyrna mokarran</i>	Appendix II	2014
Dusky Shark	<i>Carcharhinus obscurus</i>	Appendix II	2018
Blue Shark	<i>Prionace glauca</i>	Appendix II	2018
White-spotted Wedgefish	<i>Rhynchobatus australiae</i>	Appendix II	2018
Smooth Hammerhead	<i>Sphyrna zygaena</i>	Appendix II	2020
School Shark (Tope Shark)	<i>Galeorhinus galeus</i>	Appendix II	2020

A number of countries also have reservations in place for various species, and a table outlining those reservations (up to May 2019) is attached for your information.

Please let me know if you require any further information.

Kind regards – Narelle

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**PARTIES' SPECIES RESERVATIONS
and
TERRITORIES TO WHICH THE CONVENTION DOES NOT APPLY**

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Interpretation

1. The column "Species Reservations under Article XI.6 and Article XIV.2" includes taxa listed on CMS Appendices with respect to which individual Parties made reservations pursuant to Article XI paragraph 6 and Article XIV paragraph 2 of the Convention. The Appendix to which the reservation applies and the year in which the reservation was made are indicated.
2. The column "Territories not covered by the Convention" includes those territories under the jurisdiction of a Party to which the Convention does not apply as formally notified by the Party concerned. Otherwise the Convention applies to all territories under Parties' jurisdiction.
3. The table lists only reservations and territorial exclusions in effect at the date of the update indicated above.

Party	Species Reservations under Article XI.6 and Article XIV.2				Territories <u>not</u> covered by the Convention
	Common Name	Latin Name	Appendix	Year	
Argentina	Vicuña	<i>Vicugna vicugna</i>	Appendix I	1991	
Australia	Bigeye Thresher Shark	<i>Alopias superciliosus</i>	Appendix II	2014	
	Common Thresher Shark	<i>Alopias vulpinus</i>	Appendix II	2014	
	Pelagic Thresher Shark	<i>Alopias pelagicus</i>	Appendix II	2014	
	Scalloped Hammerhead Shark	<i>Sphyrna lewini</i>	Appendix II	2014	
	Great Hammerhead Shark	<i>Sphyrna mokarran</i>	Appendix II	2014	
	Dusky Shark	<i>Carcharhinus obscurus</i>	Appendix II	2018	
	Blue Shark	<i>Prionace glauca</i>	Appendix II	2018	
	White-spotted Wedgefish	<i>Rhynchobatus australiae</i>	Appendix II	2018	
Bolivia	Vicuña	<i>Vicugna vicugna</i>	Appendix I	2003	

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	Common Name	Latin Name	Appendix	Year	
Cuba	Green Turtle	<i>Chelonia mydas</i>	Appendices I & II	2007	
	Loggerhead Turtle	<i>Caretta caretta</i>	Appendices I & II	2007	
	Hawksbill Turtle	<i>Eretmochelys imbricata</i>	Appendices I & II	2007	
Czech Republic	Chimpanzee	<i>Pan troglodytes</i>	Appendices I & II	2018	
	African Wild Ass	<i>Equus africanus</i>	Appendix I	2018	
	Przewalski's Horse	<i>Equus ferus przewalskii</i>	Appendix I	2018	
	Hoary Bat	<i>Lasiurus cinereus</i>	Appendix II	2018	
	Eastern Red Bat	<i>Lasiurus borealis</i>	Appendix II	2018	
	Southern Red Bat	<i>Lasiurus blossevillii</i>	Appendix II	2018	
	Southern Yellow Bat	<i>Lasiurus ega</i>	Appendix II	2018	
	Lion	<i>Panthera leo</i>	Appendix II	2018	
	Leopard	<i>Panthera pardus</i>	Appendix II	2018	
	Gobi Bear	<i>Ursus arctos isabellinus</i>	Appendix I	2018	
	Caspian Seal	<i>Pusa caspica</i>	Appendices I & II	2018	
	Giraffe	<i>Giraffa camelopardalis</i>	Appendix II	2018	
	Christmas Island Frigatebird	<i>Fregata andrewsi</i>	Appendix I	2018	
	Steppe Eagle	<i>Aquila nipalensis</i>	Appendix I	2018	
	White-rumped Vulture	<i>Gyps bengalensis</i>	Appendix I	2018	
	Indian Vulture	<i>Gyps indicus</i>	Appendix I	2018	
	Slender-billed Vulture	<i>Gyps tenuirostris</i>	Appendix I	2018	
	Red-headed Vulture	<i>Sarcogyps calvus</i>	Appendix I	2018	
	White-backed Vulture	<i>Gyps africanus</i>	Appendix I	2018	
	Cape Vulture	<i>Gyps coprotheres</i>	Appendix I	2018	
Rüppell's Vulture	<i>Gyps rueppelli</i>	Appendix I	2018		

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	Common Name	Latin Name	Appendix	Year	
Czech Republic continued	Hooded Vulture	<i>Necrosyrtes monachus</i>	Appendix I	2018	
	White-headed Vulture	<i>Trigonoceps occipitalis</i>	Appendix I	2018	
	Lappet-faced Vulture	<i>Torgos tracheliotos</i>	Appendix I	2018	
	Black Noddy	<i>Anous minutus worcesteri</i>	Appendix II	2018	
	Yellow Bunting	<i>Emberiza sulphurata</i>	Appendix II	2018	
	Great Grey Shrike	<i>Lanius excubitor excubitor</i>	Appendix II	2018	
	Lesser Grey Shrike	<i>Lanius minor</i>	Appendix II	2018	
	Whale Shark	<i>Rhincodon typus</i>	Appendix I	2018	
	Angelshark	<i>Squatina squatina</i>	Appendices I & II	2018	
	Common Guitarfish	<i>Rhinobatos rhinobatos</i>	Appendices I & II	2018	
	Dusky Shark	<i>Carcharhinus obscurus</i>	Appendix II	2018	
	Blue Shark	<i>Prionace glauca</i>	Appendix II	2018	
White-spotted Wedgefish	<i>Rhynchobatus australiae</i>	Appendix II	2018		
Denmark <i>(Reservations apply only to the Faroes)</i>	Antarctic Minke Whale	<i>Balaenoptera bonaerensis</i>	Appendix II	2002	Greenland Faroe Islands (only in regards to the basking shark)
	Bryde's Whale	<i>Balaenoptera edeni</i>	Appendix II	2002	
	Fin Whale	<i>Balaenoptera physalus</i>	Appendices I & II	2002	
	Pygmy Right Whale	<i>Caperea marginata</i>	Appendix II	2002	
	Sperm Whale	<i>Physeter macrocephalus</i>	Appendices I & II	2002	
	Basking Shark	<i>Cetorhinus maximus</i>	Appendices I & II	2006	
European Union	Basking Shark	<i>Cetorhinus maximus</i>	Appendix I	2006	

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France	Green Turtle	<i>Chelonia mydas</i>	Appendix I	1990	
New Zealand					Tokelau
Norway	Fin Whale	<i>Balaenoptera physalus</i>	Appendix I	2002	
	Sei Whale	<i>Balaenoptera borealis</i>	Appendix I	2002	
	Sperm Whale	<i>Physeter macrocephalus</i>	Appendix I	2002	
	Pygmy Right Whale	<i>Caperea marginata</i>	Appendix II	2002	
South Africa	Giraffe	<i>Giraffa camelopardalis</i>	Appendix II	2018	
	Leopard	<i>Panthera pardus</i>	Appendix II	2018	
	Lion	<i>Panthera leo</i>	Appendix II	2018	
	Blue Shark	<i>Prionace glauca</i>	Appendix II	2018	
Uganda	Chimpanzee	<i>Pan troglodytes</i>	Appendices I & II	2018	
	Giraffe	<i>Giraffa camelopardalis</i>	Appendix II	2018	
	Leopard	<i>Panthera pardus</i>	Appendix II	2018	
	Lion	<i>Panthera leo</i>	Appendix II	2018	
United Kingdom					Anguilla British Antarctic Territory