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Notification
to the Signatory and Acceding States
to the Convention on International Trade
in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES),
concluded in Washington on 3 March 1973

I. Reservation entered by the Republic of Ireland

On 31 October 2002, the Republic of Ireland entered, pursuant to Article XVI, paragraph 2 of the CITES, a reservation with respect to the listing of

- *Vulpes vulpes pusilla*,
- *Vulpes vulpes griffithi*,
- *Vulpes vulpes montana*
- *Mustela erminea ferghanae*,
- *Mustela altaica*,
- *Mustela kathiah*,
- *Mustela sibirica*

in Appendix III of the Convention.

II. Acceptance of the amendment of Gaborone by the Republic of Kenya

On 4 November 2002, the Republic of Kenya deposited with the Swiss Government an instrument of acceptance of the amendment of article XXI of the CITES, adopted at Gaborone on 30 April 1983.

The amendment of Gaborone has not entered into force yet.

III. Corrections of reservations and déclaration with respect to amendments adopted during the 12th meeting of the Conference of the Parties

The Federal Department of Foreign Affairs has the honour to inform the Signatory and Acceding States, in relation to the notification CITES 1/03 of 5 March 2003, that the reservations of the Republic of the Philippines and the declaration of the Kingdom of Norway communicated with the said notification have to be modified as follows:

Party	date	species	Annex
Republic of the Philippines	11/02/03	Ara Couloni	I
		Amazona ochrocephala auropalliatea	I
		Amazona ochrocephala oratrix	I
		Amazona ochrocephala parvipes	I
		Amazona ochrocephala tresmariae	I

Correction 1: the additional mention of species "Amazona ochrocephala ochrocephala" had to be deleted.

Party	date	species	Annex
Kingdom of Norway	12/02/03	Rhincodon typus	II
		Cetorhinus maximus	II
		Hippocampus spp	II

When depositing its reservations, the Kingdom of Norway made the following declaration (original English version):

"It is our understanding, however, that Cetorhinus maximus and in particular Hippocampus spp. may benefit from being listed in Annex II. Norway may therefore reconsider its reservations when the new CITES-criteria are adopted and when FAO has finished its work concerning the relationship and cooperation between CITES and regional fisheries organisations."

Correction 2: In this declaration, the species "Cetorhinus maximus" must be replaced by the species "Rhincodon typus" so that the declaration has to be read as follows (original English version) :

*"It is our understanding, however, that **Rhincodon typus** and in particular Hippocampus spp. may benefit from being listed in Annex II. Norway may therefore reconsider its reservations when the new CITES-criteria are adopted and when FAO has finished its work concerning the relationship and cooperation between CITES and regional fisheries organisations."*

The present notification is addressed to the Governments of the Signatory and Acceding States in conformity with article XXV, paragraph 2, of the CITES.

Berne, 9 April 2003

