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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. Reservations and partial withdrawal of reservations by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

With letter received on 22 May 2023, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland enters a reservation against the inclusion in Appendix III of the CITES of *Papilio phorbanta*, following communication by the European Union, this reservation applying to Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Great Britain, Montserrat, Bailiwick of Jersey and the Isle of Man.

By the same letter, the United Kingdom,

- referring to its previous reservations, as notified by the Depositary on 8 March 2023 (notification 1/2023, No. III, par. 2 and 3),
 - «...against the inclusion in Appendix III of Melopyrrha nigra and Tiaris canorus, [...] of Caribena versicolor [...] and of Conophytum spp., Mestoklema tuberosum, Raphionacme zeyheri, Crassothonna cacalioides, Crassothonna clavifolia, Othonna armiana, Othonna euphorbioides, Othonna retrorsa, Tylecodon bodleyae, Tylecodon nolteei, Tylecodon reticulatus, Monsonia herrei, Monsonia multifida, Monsonia patersonii, Pelargonium crassicaule, Pelargonium triste, Adenia spinosa, and Portulacaria pygmaea [...], the reservation applying to Anguilla; Bermuda; British Antarctic Territory; British Indian Ocean Territory; Montserrat; Pitcairn, Henderson, Ducie and Oeno Islands; Tristan da Cunha; South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands; Turks and Caicos Islands; UK Sovereign Base Areas; Bailiwick of Guernsey, Bailiwick of Jersey; the Isle of Man; and Northern Ireland, [and] against the inclusion of Daboia palaestinae [...], this reservation applying to the United Kingdom; Anguilla; Bermuda; British Antarctic Territory; British Indian Ocean Territory; Montserrat; Pitcairn, Henderson, Ducie and Oeno Islands; Tristan da Cunha; South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands; Turks and Caicos Islands; UK Sovereign Base Areas; Bailiwick of Guernsey, Bailiwick of Jersey; and the Isle of Man»,
- furthermore enters the same reservations in respect of the Cayman Islands,
- withdraws those reservations with effect from 20 May 2023 insofar as they apply to Anguilla;
 British Antarctic Territory; British Indian Ocean Territory; Bailiwick of Guernsey; Northern Ireland;
 Pitcairn, Henderson, Ducie and Oeno Islands; Tristan da Cunha; South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands; UK Sovereign Base Areas and Turks and Caicos Islands,
- states that this does not affect the status of the reservations in respect of Bermuda, Great Britain (*recte*: United Kingdom, *Daboia palaestinae* only), Isle of Man, Bailiwick of Jersey and Montserrat,
- and confirms that, CITES having not been extended to the British Antarctic Territory, South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands, UK Sovereign Base Areas and Turks and Caicos Islands, the inclusion of these territories in the above mentioned reservations has been in error.

By the same letter, the United Kingdom,

- referring to a previous reservation regarding amendments to Annex III, as notified by the Depositary on 14 July 2022 (notification 1/2022, No. I),
 - «... against the inclusion of Ctenophorus spp., Intellagama spp, Tympanocryptis spp., Carphodactylus spp., Nephrurus spp., Orraya spp., Phyllurus spp., Saltuarius spp., Strophurus spp, Underwoodisaurus spp., Uvidicolus spp., Egernia spp., Tiliqua adelaidensis, Tiliqua multifasciata, Tiliqua nigrolutea, Tiliqua occipitalis, Tiliqua rugosa, Tiliqua scincoides intermedia, Tiliqua scincoides scincoides and Holacanthus limbaughi [...], this reservation applying to the United Kingdom, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Bailiwick of Guernsey, the Isle of Man, Bailiwick of Jersey and Montserrat».
- withdraws it with effect from 20 May 2023 insofar as it applies to the Bailiwick of Guernsey and Northern Ireland.
- and states that this does not affect the status of these reservations in respect of Bermuda, the Isle of Man, Bailiwick of Jersey and Montserrat.

II. Late reservation by the Republic of Suriname

With note received by the Swiss Depositary on 14 June 2023, the Republic of Suriname wished to enter a reservation with respect to the inclusion of *Prionace glauca* in Appendix II. Since this reservation was received after the deadline of 23 February 2023, it is late (see also Resolution Conf. 4.25 (Rev. CoP19) of the Conference of the Parties «request[ing] the Depositary Government not to consider valid any reservation with respect to an amendment to Appendix I or II entered after the 90-day deadline»).

The present notification is addressed to the Governments of the Signatory and Acceding States by the Depositary (www.fdfa.admin.ch/depositary) in conformity with article XXV, paragraph 2, of the CITES.

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