

**SHORT SUMMARY OF CONCLUSIONS OF THE 23<sup>RD</sup> MEETING OF THE SCIENTIFIC  
REVIEW GROUP ON TRADE IN WILD FAUNA AND FLORA<sup>1</sup>**

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The SRG took the following decisions under Articles 4.1(a)(i) and 4.2.(a) of Regulation 338/97:

**1) Positive opinions<sup>2</sup> for import of specimens from the following species/countries combinations:**

<i>Amazona aestiva</i>	Argentina
<i>Geochelone carbonaria</i>	Suriname

**2) Negative opinion<sup>3</sup> changed to positive opinion:**

<i>Acipenser nudriventis</i>	Kazakhstan
<i>Euphyllia ancora</i>	Indonesia
<i>Euphyllia glabrescens</i>	Indonesia
<i>Hydnophora exesa</i>	Indonesia
<i>Hydnophora microconos</i>	Indonesia
<i>Trachyphyllia geoffroyi</i>	Indonesia

**3) Lift existing import suspensions under Regulation 2087/2001 for import of specimens of the following species/countries combinations, resulting in no SRG opinion available**

<i>Tauraco ruspolii</i>	Ethiopia
<i>Ornithoptera meridionalis</i>	Indonesia
<i>Hippopus hippopus</i>	Micronesia, Vanuatu
<i>Tridacna rosewateri</i>	Mauritius
<i>Tridacna tevoroa</i>	All countries of origin
<i>Grus carunculatus</i>	All countries of origin except South Africa

<sup>1</sup> Subject to confirmation by the Members of the Scientific Review Group. Further, it is understood that the above opinions are also those of each Scientific Authority and will be reflected in any opinion given in relation to the application of Art. 4.1(a) and 4.2(a) of Regulation 338/97. These opinions will remain valid unless or until circumstances related to the trade or conservation status of the species change significantly.

<sup>2</sup> Recommendation based on the following guidelines: The species is in trade or is likely to be in trade, and introduction to the Community from the country of origin at current or anticipated levels of trade will **not** have a harmful effect on the conservation status of the species or the extent of the territory occupied by the species.

<sup>3</sup> Recommendation based on the following guidelines : The species is in trade or is likely to be in trade, and introduction to the Community from the country of origin at current or anticipated levels of trade is likely to have a harmful effect on the conservation status of the species or the extent of the territory occupied by the species.

**NOTE:** The decision on *Grus carunculatus* was taken subject to the condition that any import applications are to be considered by the SRG prior to an opinion being given by a national SA.

**4) Negative opinions for import of specimens of the following species/countries combinations**

<i>Chamaeleo gracilis</i>	Benin (wild, ranched)
<i>Psittacus erithacus</i>	Nigeria
<i>Tridacna derasa</i>	Palau, Philippines

- 5) The import suspensions for *Ornithoptera urvillianus* and *Ornithoptera victoriae* from the Solomon Islands will be maintained in view of the recommendation made by the Standing Committee to suspend imports of specimens of the species from this country.
- 6) Any import applications for *Balearica pavonina* from range States other than Guinea and Mali, for which an import suspension exists, are to be considered by the SRG prior to an opinion being given by a national SA.
- 7) Given that *Tridacna gigas* is extinct in Guam the country should be deleted from the UNEP-WCMC database as a range State for the species.