

**SHORT SUMMARY OF CONCLUSIONS OF THE 54TH MEETING OF THE SCIENTIFIC
REVIEW GROUP ON TRADE IN WILD FAUNA AND FLORA¹
3 DECEMBER 2010**

The SRG took the following decisions² under Articles 4.1(a)(i) and 4.2(a) of Council Regulation (EC) N° 338/97:

1) Negative opinions³ for import of specimens from the following species / countries combinations:

<i>Chamaeleo senegalensis</i>	Benin (W)
<i>Kinixys belliana</i>	Benin (W)
<i>Encephalartos</i> spp.	South Africa (A, D)
<i>Tillandsia xerographica</i>	Guatemala (A, for plants without cataphylls)

2) Negative opinions³ for import of specimens from the following species / countries combinations confirmed / maintained – NOT to be formalised in the Suspensions Regulation:

<i>Chamaeleo senegalensis</i>	Benin (R)
<i>Acipenser gueldenstaedtii</i>	Azerbaijan
<i>Acipenser gueldenstaedtii</i>	Iran
<i>Acipenser persicus</i>	Iran
<i>Acipenser stellatus</i>	Azerbaijan
<i>Acipenser stellatus</i>	Iran
<i>Huso huso</i>	Iran
<i>Anguilla anguilla</i>	All range States (except Tunisia within the quota published for 2010, in line with SRG previous opinion)

3) Confirmation of current suspensions as listed in EC Reg. No. 997/2010

<i>Chamaeleo gracilis</i>	Benin (W, R)
<i>Calabaria reinhardtii</i>	Benin (R)
<i>Python regius</i>	Benin (W)
<i>Geochelone sulcata</i>	Benin (R)
<i>Kinixys homeana</i>	Benin (W, R)
<i>Pandinus imperator</i>	Benin (R)

¹ Further, it is understood that the above opinions are also those of each Member State's 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.

² Unless specifically stated otherwise, all decisions relate to wild specimens.

³ 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.

<i>Varanus exanthematicus</i>	Benin (W)
<i>Varanus niloticus</i>	Benin (W)
<i>Kinixys belliana</i>	Benin (W)

4) **Import suspensions for the following species / countries combinations recommended for amendment:**

<i>Varanus exanthematicus</i>	Benin (R > 35 cm total length) ⁴
<i>Varanus niloticus</i>	Benin (R > 35 cm total length) ⁴
<i>Kinixys belliana</i>	Benin (R > 5 cm straight carapace length) ⁴

5) **No opinion for import of specimens of the following species / countries combinations**

<i>Stephanoaetus coronatus</i>	Tanzania All applications to be referred to the SRG
<i>Calabaria reinhardtii</i>	Benin (W) All applications to be referred to the SRG
<i>Python brongersmai</i>	Malaysia All applications to be referred to the SRG
<i>Python sebae</i>	Benin (W)
<i>Kinixys erosa</i>	Benin (W, R) (confirmed)
<i>Pandinus imperator</i>	Benin (W)

6) **Positive opinion for import of specimens of the following species / countries combinations:**

<i>Canis lupus</i>	Canada (all populations)
<i>Ursus arctos</i>	Russian Federation (hunting trophies from all populations)
<i>Python regius</i>	Benin (R) (confirmed)
<i>Python sebae</i>	Benin (R) (confirmed)
<i>Hirudo verbana</i>	Turkey (confirmed)
<i>Catalaphylla jardinei</i>	Australia

7) ***Stephanoaetus coronatus* / Tanzania:** The SRG agreed to the import of two specimens of *Stephanoaetus coronatus* from Tanzania.

8) ***Anguilla anguilla* - implementation of the listing:** The SRG assessed the situation for export of European eels: it was agreed that it was not possible to perform a "non-detriment finding" for the export of European eels, i.e that it was not possible for the SRG to consider that the capture or collection of European eel specimens in the wild or their export will not have a harmful effect

⁴ The decision on the amendment for this species / country combination will come into effect when the Suspension Regulation is next revised.

on the conservation status of the species or on the extent of the territory occupied by the relevant population of the species. The SRG would reassess the situation by the end of 2011.

- 9) **Imports of artificially propagated *Tillandsia xerographica*:** When revising the Annexes to Council Regulation (EC) No 338/97 again, the Commission will include an annotation that artificially propagated specimens have to show certain characteristics. This would assist enforcement officers to distinguish between wild and artificially propagated specimens of *Tillandsia xerographica*.