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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

## Accession to the CITES by the Kingdom of Tonga

On 22 July 2016, the Kingdom of Tonga deposited with the Swiss Federal Council an instrument of accession to the CITES.

According to its article XXII, paragraph 2, the Convention, amended at Bonn on 22 June 1979 and at Gaborone on 30 April 1983, will enter into force for the Kingdom of Tonga 90 days after the deposit of the instrument of accession, i.e. on 20 October 2016.

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

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