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Notification

to the Member or Signatory States of the CONVENTION ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN ENDANGERED SPECIES OF WILD FAUNA AND FLORA concluded at Washington on March 3, 1973

I

RATIFICATION BY THAILAND

1. Based on Article XX of the Convention, the Kingdom of Thailand has deposited with the Swiss Government, on January 21, 1983, its instrument of ratification of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora. Thailand has entered a reservation concerning the application of the Convention regarding the following species:

"Crocodylus siamensis
Crocodylus porosus
Varanus bengalensis
Varanus salvator
Python molurus bivittatus
Python reticulatus".

According to Article XXII, Paragraph 2, the Convention will come into force for the Kingdom of Thailand on April 21, 1983.

II

ACCESSION OF SAINT LUCIA AND THE CONGO

1. Based on Article XXI of the Convention, Saint Lucia has deposited with the Swiss Government, on December 15, 1982, an instrument of accession to the Convention.

According to Article XXII, Paragraph 2, of the Convention, the accession of Saint Lucia will take effect on March 15, 1983.

2. Based on Article XXI of the Convention, the People's Republic of the Congo has deposited with the Swiss Government, on January 31, 1983, an instrument of accession to the Convention.

According to Article XXII, Paragraph 2, of the Convention, the accession of the People's Republic of the Congo will take effect on May 1st, 1983.

III

WITHDRAWAL OF A RESERVATION BY LIECHTENSTEIN

The Government of Liechtenstein has withdrawn, with effect from January 1st, 1983, the reservation entered on May 1st, 1981, regarding the following species:

Flora - Aztekium ritteri

IV

AMENDMENT OF JUNE 22, 1979 TO THE CONVENTION

The Federal Department of Foreign Affairs informs the Signatory or Contracting States of the Convention that the following State, by

depositing an instrument with the Swiss Government, has accepted the Amendment to Article XI, Paragraph 3, sub-paragraph (a), adopted at Bonn on June 22, 1979:

Kenya on November 25, 1982

The Amendment shall enter into force for the Parties which shall have accepted it 60 days after two-thirds of the Parties shall have deposited an instrument of acceptance of the Amendment with the Depositary Government.

The present notification is addressed to the Governments of Signatory or Contracting States in conformity with Article XXV, Paragraph 2, of the Convention.

Bern, February 28, 1983