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THE LISTING OF THE CHEETAH IN APPENDIX II

1. The cheetah *Acinonyx jubatus* was proposed for inclusion in Appendix I at the Ninth Meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP9 – Rome, 1-5 December 2008). During the discussion of the proposal the representative of Norway pointed out that the existence of small quotas for trade under CITES in three southern African states, namely Botswana, Namibia and Zimbabwe, might cause difficulties.

2. The possibility of including the populations in these three countries under Appendix II was considered and strongly supported by the representatives of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Egypt and Uganda.

3. Eventually, COP9 adopted the inclusion of the cheetah in Appendix I with the exception of the three populations which remain unlisted on CMS Appendices. COP10 could possibly revisit the issue.

4. The Activity Planning Meeting of the Scientific Council (Bonn, 13 June 2009) agreed that the listing on Appendix II of the cheetah populations not currently included in Appendix I should be raised at the 16th Meeting of the Scientific Council in 2010.

Action requested

• Scientific Council members are invited to discuss the listing of the cheetah populations of Botswana, Namibia and Zimbabwe in Appendix II.

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