

17. International Trade in Wildlife

Recognizing the initiative taken by IUCN in matters relating to the international trade in wildlife and the urgent need for international regulation of the increasing trade in threatened species of wildlife and their products:

Noting the progress being made in developing an international convention on trade in threatened species of wildlife;

Being aware that such a convention will require support from national legislation and effective enforcement;

The 11th General Assembly of IUCN meeting at Banff, Canada, in September 1972:

Urges all governments to participate in the proposed intergovernmental meeting to conclude the convention to be held in Washington D.C. with target date February 1973;

And recommends that governments should introduce effective legislation to protect threatened species of wildlife, including prohibition of capture and killing and control of all trade in such species and their products, and that such legislation should be properly enforced.

