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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

I. Communication by the Kingdom of the Netherlands

On 5 October 2010, the Kingdom of the Netherlands informed the Depositary about a modification in the structure of the Kingdom (French original text enclosed) and, on 8 September 2011, transmitted a detailed status report for the treaties deposited within the Swiss Federal Council.

Following this modification, the CITES is applicable to the Netherlands as follows: to the European part as from 18 July 1984 (as amended at Bonn as from 13 April 1987), to the Caribbean part (the islands of Bonaire, Sint Eustasius and Saba) as from 10 October 2010, to Aruba as from 29 mars 1995, to Curaçao and Sint Maarten as from 10 October 2010. The CITES also applied to the former Netherlands Antilles between 6 July 1999 and 9 October 2010.

II. Acceptance of the amendment of Gaborone by the State of Israel

On 16 September 2011, the State of Israel deposited with the Swiss Government an instrument of acceptance of the amendment of article XXI of the CITES, adopted at Gaborone on 30 April 1983.

The amendment of Gaborone has not entered into force yet.

III. Reservation made by the Republic of Latvia

On 19 September 2011, the Republic of Latvia entered, pursuant to Article XVI, paragraph 2, of the CITES, a reservation with respect to the following listing in Appendix III of the Convention:

- Vulpes vulpes griffithii
- Vulpes vulpes montana
- Vulpes vulpes pusilla
- Mustela erminea ferghanae
- Mustela altaica
- Mustela kathiah
- Mustela sibirica

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

Enclosure

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