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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. Withdrawal of reservation by the Republic of Zambia

On 20 March 1997, the Republic of Zambia deposited with the Swiss Government an instrument of withdrawal - with immediate effect - of its reservation made on 8 January 1990 against the transfer of the African Elephant, 'Loxodonta africana', from the Annex II to the Annex I of the Convention.

II. Accession by the Republic of Latvia

On 11 February 1997, the Republic of Latvia deposited with the Swiss Government an instrument of accession to the CITES. According to its article XXII, paragraph 2, the Convention, amended in Bonn on 22 June 1979, will enter into force for the Republic of Latvia 90 days after the deposit of the instrument of accession, i.e. on 12 May 1997.

III. Accession by the Kingdom of Swaziland

On 26 February 1997, the Kingdom of Swaziland deposited with the Swiss Government an instrument of accession to the CITES. According to its article XXII, paragraph 2, the Convention, amended in Bonn on 22 June 1979, will enter into force for the Kingdom of Swaziland 90 days after the deposit of the instrument of accession, i.e. on 27 May 1997.

The present notification is addressed to the Governments of the Signatory and Acceding States in conformity with article XXV, paragraph 2, of the CITES.

Berne, 26 March 1997

