

**98TH MEETING OF THE SCIENTIFIC REVIEW GROUP
ON TRADE IN WILD FAUNA AND FLORA¹**

**TUESDAY, 19 SEPTEMBER 2023
HYBRID MEETING (BRUSSELS AND ONLINE)**

SHORT SUMMARY OF CONCLUSIONS

The SRG took the following decisions² under Articles 4.1(a)(i) and 4.2(a) of Council Regulation (EC) No 338/97:

1) SRG referral required for import of specimens of the following species / country combinations:

Species	Country	SRG agenda item
<i>Varanus yuwonoi</i>	Indonesia (C, F, R, W, <= 20 cm snout-vent-length)	SRG 98/4/1/9
<i>Brookesia betschi</i>	Madagascar	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Brookesia enebaui</i>	Madagascar	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Brookesia griveaudi</i>	Madagascar	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Uroplatus fimbriatus</i>	Madagascar	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Uroplatus phantasticus</i>	Madagascar	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Uroplatus sameiti</i>	Madagascar	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Uroplatus sikorae</i>	Madagascar	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Kinixys erosa</i>	Uganda (C, F, R, W)	SRG 98/4/5/1
<i>Cordylus tropidosternum</i>	Uganda (C, F, R, W) ³	SRG 98/4/5/1
<i>Stigmochelys pardalis</i>	Mozambique (W > 15 cm straight carapace length)	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Mantella cowanii</i>	Madagascar ⁴	SRG 98/4/2/1
<i>Mantella crocea</i>	Madagascar ⁴	SRG 98/4/2/1
<i>Mantella viridis</i>	Madagascar ⁴	SRG 98/4/2/1
<i>Carcharhinus falciformis</i>	Indian Ocean stock	SRG 98/4/2/4b
<i>Caracal aurata</i>	Uganda (C, F, R, W) (confirmed)	SRG 98/5/1

2) Positive opinion for import of specimens of the following species / country combinations:

Species	Country	SRG agenda item
<i>Panthera leo</i>	Zimbabwe (confirmed)	SRG 98/4/1/6
<i>Ovis severtzovi</i>	Uzbekistan	SRG 98/4/1/7

¹It is understood that the above opinions are also those of each Member State's Scientific Authority and will be reflected in any opinion given in relation to the application of Art. 4.1(a) and 4.2(a) of Regulation 338/97. These opinions will remain valid unless or until circumstances related to the trade or conservation status of the species change significantly.

² Unless specifically stated otherwise, all decisions relate to wild specimens.

³ Note that Uganda is not a range State

⁴ The decision will come into effect when this species / country combination is removed from the Suspension Regulation.

<i>Varanus exanthematicus</i>	Benin (R ≤ 20 cm snout-vent-length) ⁵	SRG 98/4/1/9
<i>Varanus exanthematicus</i>	Ghana (W ≤ 20 cm snout-vent length)	SRG 98/4/1/9
<i>Varanus exanthematicus</i>	Togo (R ≤ 20 cm snout-vent-length) ⁴	SRG 98/4/1/9
<i>Varanus niloticus</i>	Benin (R ≤ 25 cm snout-vent-length) ⁶	SRG 98/4/1/9

3) Negative opinion for import of specimens of the following species / country combinations:

Species	Country	SRG agenda item
<i>Loxodonta africana</i>	Mozambique (trophies W) (confirmed)	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Panthera leo</i>	Mozambique (W, including hunting trophies, for all populations except from the Niassa reserve (including the Chipanje Chetu community conservation area) (confirmed)	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Crocodylus niloticus</i>	Mozambique (R, W)	SRG 98/4/1/1
<i>Uromastyx ocellata</i>	Sudan (confirmed)	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Kinixys erosa</i>	Benin	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Varanus exanthematicus</i>	Togo (R > 20 cm snout-vent-length) ⁴	SRG 98/4/1/9
<i>Varanus yuwonoi</i>	Indonesia (C, F, R, W, > 20 cm snout-vent-length)	SRG 98/4/1/9
<i>Corucia zebrata</i>	Solomon Islands (C, F, R) (confirmed)	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Python regius</i>	Benin (R) (confirmed)	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Python regius</i>	Togo (R) (confirmed)	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Carcharhinus falciformis</i>	Kenya (W)	SRG 98/4/2/4b
<i>Prionace glauca</i>	Mediterranean stock (W, X) ⁷	SRG 98/4/1/8
<i>Cyclamen hederifolium</i>	Türkiye	SRG 98/4/1/3
<i>Prunus africana</i>	Cameroon	SRG 98/4/1/4

4) Positive opinion for import of specimens of the following species / country combinations REMOVED:

Species	Country	SRG agenda item
<i>Prunus africana</i>	Cameroon (W, applicable to dry bark exports from Mount Cameroon (quota of 20 000 kg and Central Region (Mt Banda and Mt We) (quota of 100 000 kg) subject to clear indication in the export permit of the origin. Except from non-permanent forest domains.	SRG 98/4/1/4

⁵ Upon amendment of the size limit in the Suspension Regulation from > 35 cm TL to > 20 cm snout-vent-length.

⁶ Upon amendment of the size limit in the Suspension Regulation from > 35 cm TL to > 25 cm snout-vent-length.

⁷ The decision will come into effect when the Annex B listing for the species comes into force on 25 November 2023.

5) The following species / country combinations to be maintained in the Regulation prohibiting introduction to the EU:

Species	Country	SRG agenda item
<i>Trioceros serratus</i>	Cameroon	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Trioceros wiedersheimi</i>	Cameroon	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Peltocephalus dumerilianus</i>	Guyana	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Conraua goliath</i>	Cameroon	SRG 98/4/2/1
<i>Hyloxalus azureiventris</i>	Peru	SRG 98/4/2/1
<i>Mantella aurantiaca</i>	Madagascar	SRG 98/4/2/1
<i>Mantella pulchra</i>	Madagascar	SRG 98/4/2/1

6) The following species / country combinations to be removed from the Regulation prohibiting introduction to the EU:

Species	Country	SRG agenda item
<i>Mantella cowanii</i>	Madagascar	SRG 98/4/2/1
<i>Mantella crocea</i>	Madagascar	SRG 98/4/2/1
<i>Mantella viridis</i>	Madagascar	SRG 98/4/2/1
<i>Scaphiophryne gottlebei</i>	Madagascar	SRG 98/4/2/1

7) Taxon / country combinations “in consultation”:

Species	Country	SRG agenda item
<i>Panthera leo</i>	Zimbabwe (continue)	SRG 98/4/1/6
<i>Rhampoleon spectrum</i>	Cameroon (continue)	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Varanus exanthematicus</i>	Ghana (W <= 20 cm snout-vent-length) (continue)	SRG 98/4/1/9
<i>Varanus exanthematicus</i>	Togo (R) (<= 20 cm snout-vent-length) (continue)	SRG 98/4/1/9
<i>Python bivittatus</i>	Viet Nam	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Mantella aurantiaca</i>	Madagascar	SRG 98/4/2/1
<i>Mantella cowanii</i>	Madagascar	SRG 98/4/2/1
<i>Mantella crocea</i>	Madagascar	SRG 98/4/2/1
<i>Mantella pulchra</i>	Madagascar	SRG 98/4/2/1
<i>Mantella viridis</i>	Madagascar	SRG 98/4/2/1
<i>Scaphiophryne gottlebei</i>	Madagascar	SRG 98/4/2/1
<i>Pelophylax</i> spp.	Albania (continue)	SRG 98/4/2/3
<i>Pelophylax</i> spp.	Türkiye (continue)	SRG 98/4/1/2
<i>Huso huso</i>	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	SRG 98/5/3
<i>Strombus gigas</i>	Jamaica	SRG 98/4/2/4b
<i>Galanthus woronowii</i>	Georgia (Y)	SRG 98/4/2/4b

8) Taxon / country combinations for which a consultation has closed:

Species	Country	SRG agenda item
<i>Loxodonta africana</i>	Mozambique	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Ovis severtzovi</i>	Uzbekistan	SRG 98/4/1/7
<i>Panthera leo</i>	Mozambique	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Crocodylus niloticus</i>	Madagascar	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Uromastyx ocellata</i>	Sudan	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Trioceros bitaeniatus</i>	Democratic Republic of the Congo	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Trioceros ituriensis</i>	Democratic Republic of the Congo	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Trioceros serratus</i>	Cameroon	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Trioceros wiedersheimi</i>	Cameroon	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Corucia zebrata</i>	Solomon Islands (C, F, R)	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Cordylus tropidosternum</i>	Uganda (C)	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Varanus albigularis</i>	Democratic Republic of the Congo	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Varanus ornatus</i>	Democratic Republic of the Congo	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Python regius</i>	Benin (R)	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Python regius</i>	Togo (R)	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Peltocephalus dumerilianus</i>	Guyana	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Kinixys erosa</i>	Benin	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Kinixys erosa</i>	Uganda (C)	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Kinixys spekii</i>	Democratic Republic of the Congo	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Cycloderma aubryi</i>	Democratic Republic of the Congo	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Brookesia betschi</i>	Madagascar	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Brookesia enebaui</i>	Madagascar	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Brookesia griveaudi</i>	Madagascar	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Uroplatus frimbriatus</i>	Madagascar	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Uroplatus phantasticus</i>	Madagascar	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Uroplatus sameiti</i>	Madagascar	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Uroplatus sikorae</i>	Madagascar	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Phelsuma dorsivittata</i>	Madagascar	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Ctenosaura quinquecarinata</i>	Nicaragua	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Stigmochelys pardalis</i>	Mozambique	SRG 98/4/2/2
<i>Ravenea rivularis</i>	Madagascar	SRG 98/4/2/4b
<i>Testudo horsfieldii</i>	Uzbekistan	SRG 98/4/2/2

9) **Taxon / country combinations discussed by the SRG for which an opinion wasn't formed/confirmed:**

Species	Country	SRG agenda item
<i>Giraffa camaleopardalis</i>	South Africa	SRG 98/13/2
<i>Panthera leo</i>	Botswana	SRG 98/4/1/5
<i>Caiman latirostris</i>	Argentina	SRG 98/14/5
<i>Acipenser baerii</i>	Iran (Islamic Republic of) (C)	SRG 98/5/3

10) **Zero export quotas established for the following:**

- a. Exports of *Prionace glauca* from the Mediterranean stock for the year 2024