PUBLIC NOTICE

DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT

AMENDMENTS TO APPENDICES I AND II OF THE CONVENTION ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN ENDANGERED SPECIES OF WILD FAUNA AND FLORA (CITES)

The Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment, Ms Barbara Dallas Creecy, has in terms of regulation 2(4) read with regulations 2(3) and 2(5) of the CITES Regulations, 2010, published under Government Notice No. 173, Government *Gazette* No. 33002 of 05 March 2010, by Notice in the Government *Gazette*, published for information the amendments to CITES Appendices I and II as amended by the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES) at its 19th meeting held from 14 to 25 November 2022 in Panama.

The amendments to CITES Appendices I and II adopted by the 19th meeting of the Conference of the Parties to CITES, are attached to the Government Notice for information. A copy of the Government Notice can be accessed at www.environment.gov.za/legislation/gazetted_notices.or www.environment.gov.za/legislation/gazetted_notices.or www.environment.gov.za/legislation/gazetted_notices.or

The full list of the CITES Appendices, including the amendments is also accessible on the official CITES website, <u>www.cites.org</u>.

The amendments to the CITES Appendices entered into force on 23 February 2023. The requiem shark listing will come into effect on 25 November 2023 and the sea cucumber listing will come into effect on 25 May 2024.

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