Administrative Order No. 46 May 8, 1990

SUBJECT: Format and Criteria for Proposals to

Register the First Commercial Captive-Breeding Operation for a CITES Appendix I

Animal Species

Pursuant to the provisions of Republic Act No. 2590, as amended, and Executive Order No. 192 dated 10 June 1987, and cognizant of the importance of protecting and conserving rare, endangered, threatened and economically important Philippine Fauna, and in furtherance of the provisions of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES) particularly Article VII, paragraph 4, which states that "specimens of an animal species included in Appendix I bred in captivity for commercial purposes, shall be deemed to be specimens of species included in Appendix II provided that the breeding operation is registered with the CITES Secretariat, and further specifying that the parental breeding stocks must be: (1) established in a manner not detrimental to the survival of the species in the wild; (2) maintained without augmentation from the wild, except for the occasional addition of animals or eggs for the wild population to prevent deleterious inbreeding; and (3) managed in a manner designed to maintain the breeding stock indefinitely", this Order is hereby promulgated for the information of all concerned:

I. DEFINITION OF TERMS:

For the purpose of this Order:

- a. "Species" means any species, subspecies, or geographically separate population thereof;
- b. "Specimen" means any animal, whether dead or alive, or any recognizable part or derivative thereof;
- c. "Bred in captivity" refers to offspring, including eggs, born or otherwise produced in a controlled environment;
- d. "CITES Appendix 1" is a listing of all species threatened with extinction the trade in specimens of which are not allowed for trade except for scientific educational purposes;

e. "CITES Appendix II" is a listing of all species, although the necessarily threatened with extinction at present may become so unless trade in specimen of such species is subject to strict regulation in order to avoid utilization incompatible with their survival.

II. FORMAT FOR REGISTRATION PROPOSALS:

The format to be complied with by Wildlife Breeding/Farm Permit holders in consultation with, and to be submitted to the DENR:

- A. Proposal/Title (Species to be registered as bred in captivity for commercial purposes.)
- B. Proponent
 - 1. Party/Operator
 - 2. Name and Address of captive-breeding operation to be registered.
- C. Supporting Statement
 - 1. Taxonomy
 - 1.1 Class
 - 1.2 Order
 - 1.3 Family
 - 1.4 Genus, species and sub-species, when applicable, including author and year
 - 1.5 Common name (s), when applicable
 - 1.6 Code number (eg. isis), when applicable
 - 2. Biological Data
 - 2.1 Status in the Wild
 - 2.1.1 Distribution (Current & Historical)
 - 2.1.2 Population size, trend & degree of endangerment
 - 2.2 Status in captivity
 - 2.2.1 Description of founder stock (including source and likely genetic relationship)
 - 2.2.2 General Breeding performance in captivity
 - 2.2.3 Methods to achieve second generation stock

- 2.2.4 Description of breeding performance of population at operation to be registered
- 2.3 Management of Breeding Stock & Offspring
 - 2.3.1 Anticipated Production
 - 2.3.2 Augmentation strategy
 - 2.3.3 Strategy to minimize inbreeding
 - 2.3.4 Marking methods for breeding stock and offspring
 - 2.3.5 Inspection procedures to detect unauthorized specimens
 - 2.3.6 Description of breeding facility

3. Trade Data

- 3.1 Potential benefits of bred in captivity registration for the species covered by the proposal
- 3.2 Potential trade threats (including the possibility that trade in captive-bred specimens will promote illegal trade in wild specimens)
- 4. Protection Status
 - 4.1 National
 - 4.2 International

The DENR shall enforce the provisions of this Order ensuring that bred species is registered based on the specified format and can be adequately identified and documented, from the rest of the animal stock, and shall prohibit trade in specimens in violation hereof and providing for the confiscation of the same.

Previous order and circular inconsistent herewith are hereby revoked.

This Order shall take effect immediately.

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