

NOTICE TO THE WILDLIFE IMPORT/EXPORT COMMUNITY



April 29, 2005

Subject: Updated Procedures for Applying for U.S. CITES Documents

Background: On June 30, 2004, the Service posted a public bulletin announcing changes in the office responsible for issuing certain CITES re-export certificates. After a review of those changes, the Service's Division of Management Authority (DMA) has re-delegated issuance of certain CITES re-export certificates back to Law Enforcement. Applications for re-export of the following species may now be submitted to Law Enforcement: Kinixys belliana, Leiopython albertisii, Liasis fuscus, Morelia viridis, Varanus doreanus, Varanus finschi, Varanus panoptes, and Varanus similis. Applications for the remaining species or genera identified in the June 30, 2004 public bulletin (outlined below) must still be submitted to DMA for processing.

Action: Effective immediately, applications for re-export certificates for the CITES species or genera listed below must be submitted to DMA along with the appropriate application fee. This requirement applies to all exporters (including hobbyists and pet owners as well as those engaged in commercial trade) and to all specimens regardless of their country of origin or whether they are identified as wild, ranched, or captive-bred.

Amphibians

Mantella sp.

Reptiles Phelsuma sp. Varanus keithhornei Antaresia stimsoni Varanus kingorum Pyxis sp. Aspidites melanocephalus Varanus acanthurus Varanus mertensi Aspidites ramsayi Varanus baritji Varanus mitchelli Brookesia sp. Varanus brevicauda Varanus pilbarensis Calumma sp. Varanus caudolineatus Varanus primordius Erymnochelys madagascariensis Varanus eremius Varanus rosenberai Furcifer sp. Varanus giganteus Varanus scalaris Liasis olivaceous Varanus gilleni Varanus semiremex Morelia amethistina kinghorni Morelia bredli Varanus glauerti Varanus spenceri Morelia carinata Varanus glebopalma Varanus storri Morelia oenpelliansis Varanus gouldii Varanus tristis Paradelma orientalis Varanus indicus Varanus varius

For additional information about applying for CITES certificates, visit the Service's permits website at http://permits.fws.gov/.

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