



Brooks will return from Switzerland in February to begin the U.S. part of an international tagging program. "Using a helicopter, we will sit down near the bear, fire a tranquilizing shot into its hind quarters, and then place a tag in its ear," he said.

"Tagging is not a good means of determining populations," Brooks said, "but may give us a better idea of polar bear migration and, therefore, the techniques for international cooperation."

Secretary Udall describes the Switzerland conference as "one of the pioneering efforts at international cooperation in a common conservation problem."

