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PUBLIC MEETING SET ON ACTIONS TAKEN  
AT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON ENDANGERED SPECIES TREATY

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will hold an informal public meeting on April 4 to report on the actions taken by member countries at an international conference on the endangered species treaty. Dr. Robert S. Cook, Deputy Director of the Interior agency, will conduct the meeting which will be held from 1 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. in Room 7000-B of the Main Interior Building, 18th and C Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C.

Delegates from 25 of the 48 producing and consuming countries that have ratified the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora are meeting in Costa Rica from March 19-30 to consider changes in the list of species covered by the treaty and other implementation and enforcement issues. Also attending the conference are representatives from at least 9 other countries, 29 private conservation and user groups from the United States and State fish and game agencies.

The meeting, announced in the March 28, 1979, Federal Register, will be the seventh in a series held on the Convention by the Fish and Wildlife Service. The Convention regulates international trade in listed species through a system of permits.

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