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November 9, 2021

Department of the Interior
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Attn: Amy Brisendine
Division of Management Authority (DMA)
Branch of Permits, MS: IA
5275 Leesburg Pike
Falls Church, Virginia 22041-3803

APPLICANT: Joseph Putnam Crawford, M.D.
RE: Import Permit Application for a Sport-hunted Lion
COUNTRY: Zimbabwe

Ms. Brisendine:

Enclosed you will find an import permit application for a sport-hunted lion trophy from Zimbabwe for Dr. Joseph Putnam Crawford. Dr. Crawford hunted with Mugundumo Safaris/ Martin Pieters Safaris in September of this year and took his lion in the Matetsi Safari Area- Unit 5 in the North Matabeleland region of Zimbabwe.

Zimbabwe values its wildlife and especially its lion population enormously. It prides itself as being one of very few countries in the world that still have viable, stable, and growing lion populations. A 2016 IUCN Red List assessment of African lion concluded that Zimbabwe is one of four range states with an increasing lion population. Zimbabwe has identified the major threats to its lion population: loss of habitat, loss of prey base, and human-wildlife conflict and addressed them all in their National Lion Conservation Strategy and Action Plan, which has just been updated in 2020 and will guide the country through 2025.

Regulated hunting is essential to Zimbabwe's wildlife management and conservation system. It allows the major threats to lions to be addressed by providing habitat security, anti-poaching measures, and guidance to communities on wildlife tolerance. Communities surrounding Safari areas have seen a better way of life since regulated hunting has begun. In what are often rural areas where tourists would usually not visit, thriving safari businesses have brought employment, education, infrastructure project funding, game meat distribution, and the ability to see wildlife as a value and not a hinderance. All of this creates a vested interest for the communities, safari operators, tourists, and the government to preserve and protect the native wildlife. Hunting fees in Zimbabwe cover most of the authority's operating expense. Matatsi 5 has only 2 lion tags per year. Dr. Crawford spent over \$89,000 in hunting fees for this trip, of which \$30,000 of that were for just the lion. Lion fees alone can "underwrite the protection of over 18,000 km², two-thirds the size of the National Parks" according to the article written by Conservation Force, entitled "The Importance of Lion Hunting in Zimbabwe".

Mugundumo Safaris has a government lease for their hunting concession, working collaboratively with the Zimbabwe Parks and Management Wildlife Authority (ZPWMA), an independent non-governmental conservation organization, on enacting the country wide lion management plan. ZPWMA has the mandate of governing and monitoring all trophy hunting activities in the three land categories, safari areas, CAMPFIRE areas, and private areas to safeguard its integrity and curb an illegal or underhanded activity. As an authority, ZPWMA ensures that (1) professional standards and ethics are maintained, (2) quotas are set using sound ecological and sustainable use principles as well as quota approval, (3) only set trophies meeting the minimum


sizes are exported out of the country, (4) there is a centralized trophy hunting monitoring system, and (5) all trophy hunting activities remain within bounds of the provisions under international conventions such as Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES). ZPWMA together with the safari operators helps in antipoaching activities and habitat protection of these conservation areas. Please reference the narrative regarding enhancement and anti-poaching activity in the operator enhancement report provided for further information on Mugundumo Safaris. We have also included a statement form the operator regarding additional funding and supplies that he has provided towards anti-poaching initiatives every year.

The ZPWMA office at Matetsi Safari Area is involved in measuring, monitoring, and analyzing trophy quality and offtakes of all hunted animals. This is done to ensure that Safari hunting does not substantially alter natural selection or ecosystem processes. The limited quota, as further limited by age restrictions, ensures that hunting offtakes do not negatively affect natural processes. Zimbabwe administers a Hunt return form for all lions, which we have included, that confirms the age of the animal taken. Hunting quotas will be negatively adjusted for safari operators who take an animal that does not meet the quota, sex, and age-based requirements

Please refer to the documents and responses included and previously submitted to the DMA by Conservation Force, Zimbabwe's wildlife authorities, professional hunters, and Safari operators where you will find that the regulated well-managed hunting that was done on this safari is furthering the enhancement of the lion population in the area and the conservation work done by this operator in tandem with ZPWMA is aiding in the protection of the native wildlife and the communities surrounding it.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions about this permit application.

Sincerely,

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John Jackson
Legal Representative

Cc: Dr. Joseph Putnam Crawford W/ attachments

Enclosures:

- a. Notice of Representation,
- b. FWS Permit Application Form for Import of Sport-Hunted Trophy,
- c. Copy of Hunting Permits
- d. Hunt Return Form
- e. Operator Enhancement Report- Mugundumo Safaris/
Martin Pieters Safaris
- f. Zimbabwe National Lion Conservation Strategy and
Action Plan
- g. The Importance of Lion Hunting in Zimbabwe

E. IMPORT OF SPORT-HUNTED TROPHIES (Appendix I of CITES and/or ESA)

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- Is raw, processed, or manufactured;
- Was legally obtained by the hunter through hunting for his or her personal use;
- Is being imported, exported, or re-exported by or on behalf of the hunter as part of the transfer from its country of origin ultimately to the hunter's country of usual residence; and
- Includes worked, manufactured, or handicraft items made from the sport-hunted animal only when:
 - i. Such items are contained in the same shipment as raw or tanned parts of the sport-hunted animal and are for the personal use of the hunter;
 - ii. The quantity of such items is no more than could reasonably be expected given the number of animals taken by the hunter as shown on the license or other documentation of the authorized hunt accompanying the shipment; and
 - iii. The accompanying CITES documents (export document and, if appropriate, import permit) contain a complete itemization and description of all items included in the shipment.

Note 5: Certain hunting trophies, including elephants, are subject to restrictions on their use after import into the United States. Please see 50 CFR 23.55 for more information or contact the Division of Management Authority.

- **Complete all questions on the application.**
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- **If applying for more than one trophy species, be sure to answer questions 4, 5, and 6 for each trophy.**
- **If importing trophies from more than one country, you must submit a separate application for each shipment in order to obtain separate import permits.**

1. Name and address where you wish the permit to be mailed, if different from physical address. If you would like expedited shipping, please enclose a self-addressed, pre-paid, computer-generated, courier service airway bill. If unspecified, all documents will be mailed via the U.S. Postal Service.

Joseph Putnam Crawford, M.D. [REDACTED], Micco, Florida 32976

2. Who should we contact if we have questions about the application (name, phone number, and e-mail)?

John Jackson of Conservation Force (504) 837-1233 or permits@conservationforce.org

3. Have you or your client (if a broker applying on behalf of your client), been assessed a civil penalty or convicted of any criminal provision of any statute or regulation relating to the activity for which the application is filed; been convicted, or entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, for a felony violation of the Lacey Act, the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, or the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act; forfeited collateral; OR are currently under charges for any violation of the laws mentioned above?

☒ No ☐ Yes

If you answered "Yes" to Question 3, provide: a) the individual's name; b) date of charge; c) charge(s); d) location of incident; e) court, and f) action taken for each violation. Please be aware that a "Yes" response does not automatically disqualify you from getting a permit.

4. For each trophy to be imported, provide:

- a. Scientific name (genus, species, and, if applicable, subspecies) and common name.

panthera leo, lion

- b. Sex (if known).

male

5. **IF ANIMAL IS CURRENTLY LIVING IN THE WILD**, please include the following information:

- a. Country and location (e.g., area, region, GIS coordinates, ranch, conservancy, management area, or hunting block, AND nearest city) where wildlife is to be taken from the wild:

N/A

- b. Date wildlife is to be hunted:

N/A

- c. Name of hunting outfitter, safari company, or professional hunter you will be hunting with:

N/A

6. **IF ANIMAL HAS ALREADY BEEN TAKEN**, please include the following:

- a. Country and location (e.g., area, region, GIS coordinates, ranch, conservancy, management area, or hunting block, AND nearest city) where trophy was removed from the wild:

Matetsi Safari Area, Unit 5, Province of Matabeleland North, Zimbabwe

- b. Date wildlife was hunted: September 5th, 2021
- c. Approximate age of animal: Over 6 years of age
- d. Name of hunting outfitter, safari company, and/or professional hunter you hunted with:
Mugundumu Safaris - Professional hunter Martin Pieters
- e. The current location of the trophy (address and country) [the U.S. CITES import permit will identify this country as the country of export/re-export and must match with the CITES export/re-export document]:
Trophy Consultants International - 4 Josiah Chinamano Rd., Belmont, Bulawayo Zimbabwe
7. Please provide a copy of any applicable foreign government permits, licenses, or tags, that were required to remove this animal from the wild (if you have not hunted yet and do not currently hold any such permits or licenses, please indicate so).
8. Complete name and address of overseas person or business shipping the trophy to you. If you are applying to import a trophy directly from **Namibia**, you **must** provide the name and address of the professional hunter listed on your Namibian hunting permit [this name will appear on the face of the export permit].
- Name:
- Business Name: Trophy Consultants International
- Address: 4 Josiah Chinamano Rd.
- City: Belmont
- City: Bulawayo
- State/Province: Zimbabwe
- Country, Postal Code:
9. For species listed under the Endangered Species Act, please be aware that the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service must make a finding that your activities will enhance or benefit wild populations of the species involved. While we will communicate with the range country for the species you will hunt or have hunted when making the required findings, **please include the Operator Enhancement Questionnaire** provided in Annex I filled out by the operator or professional hunter of the concession in which you hunted or will hunt. You may attach an updated report of operations from this concession in lieu of this questionnaire if information regarding the enhancement of the survival or propagation of the species in the wild is made available in the report.
10. If required by the country in which you hunted, please include the government-endorsed hunter return form.
11. Provide the name of the operator, safari company, or professional hunter with whom you hunted or will hunt.
- Name (Company/Professional Hunter): Martin Pieters
- E-mail: martinpieterssafaris@gmail.com
- Phone number: +263 9 67792

CERTIFICATION STATEMENT (original signature must be provided for either 11 or 12 below)

12. If you are a broker or taxidermist applying on behalf of a U.S. hunter or foreign national, provide documentation to show you have **Power of Attorney** to act on your client's behalf and sign the following statement.

I acknowledge that the sport-hunted trophy/trophies to be imported has been/will be personally hunted by my client and is being imported only for my client's personal use (i.e., **not for sale, transfer, donation, or exchange that is reasonably likely to result in economic use, gain, or benefit**). If applying for the import of a leopard trophy, I understand that my client may only import two leopard trophies in one calendar year.

Taxidermist/Broker's signature: _____ Date: _____

13. If you are the hunter applying to import your own trophy, please read and sign the following statement.

I acknowledge that the trophy/trophies to be imported has been/will be personally hunted by me and is being imported only for my personal use (i.e., **not for sale, transfer, donation, or exchange that is reasonably likely to result in economic use, gain, or benefit**).

Applicant's signature: _____ Date: _____

Be aware that there may be additional requirements by your local or state governments, as well as required by other federal agencies. You must obtain such approval. While the Service will attempt to obtain such approval.

14. All international shipment(s) must be through a designated port. A list of designated ports (where an inspector is posted) is available from [the list of designated ports](#). If you wish to use a port not listed, please contact the Office of Law Enforcement for a Designated Port Exemption Permit (form 3-200-2).

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Falls Church, Virginia 22041-3803

RE:	<u>Applicant:</u>	Crystal M. Watts
	<u>Species:</u>	Lion
	<u>Country:</u>	Tanzania
	<u>Date of Take:</u>	July 7 th , 2021
	<u>Hunting with</u>	Adam Clements Safaris LTD.

******Please note that a permit has already been issued for this concession and operator, please reference Permit # MAPER0002285 ******

Dear Madam/Sir:

Enclosed please find an import permit application for Ms. Crystal M. Watts for a sport-hunted lion trophy from Tanzania. Ms. Watts took her lion in the Moyowosi Njingwe 2 Game Reserve on July 7th of this year.

Tanzania has the highest population of lions than any other country in Africa. According to the Non-detriment findings on the lion in Tanzania "there is no significant impact on the lion population" from Safari hunting and it will not have any impact or contribution to their decline. Safari Operators and TAWA, The Tanzania Wildlife Authority, are working jointly together to undertake the conservation of wildlife and their habitats. All of TAWA's funding is dependent upon sufficient revenue from Safari hunting.

Ms. Watts hunted with Adam Clements Safaris, who has been in business for 25 years. Mr. Clements's operation fulfills all the needs to support the conservation of wildlife in the Moyowosi Game Reserve. He has a year-round anti-poaching team that works directly with TAWA and the government to monitor the land. He has significant community development programs, inclusive of building two schools for local children and educating them on the wildlife in the surrounding area. He also has strict constraints on the animals allowed to be hunted, taking only two lion a year currently and having an age requirement of six or older, though this lion was over 8 years of age. We ask that you review his extensive operator enhancement report to learn more about what he is doing for conservation in the Moyowosi Njingwe 2 Game Reserve.

Due to the devastating effects of COVID-19 and the 2020 global pandemic, the safari and hospitality industry in Africa have suffered devastating blows to their businesses and to their abilities to provide wildlife conservation initiatives during this uncertain time. With the assistance of Conservation Force, Adam Clements Safaris LTD., took a pledge to (1) continue to

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occupy their land/area to (2) continue to control poaching and to (3) continue community stewardship incentives during the COVID crisis. In return, Conservation Force has assisted with collecting donations to provide safari operators, who have taken the pledge, with emergency funding to keep these drastically important conservation initiatives in place.

In addition to the operator enhancement report provided, please also reference the Anti-Poaching report for 2021, attached, from Adam Clements Safaris. In the report you will find the major anti-poaching successes that have occurred in the Moyowosi Game Reserve this past year, inclusive of the first sightings of elephants in the area since 2019. This year Adam Clements and his team began a boat patrol to combat poaching and it has by far been the most profound method of anti-poaching to date by apprehending over 140 poachers. Please see the report to view the vast work done by Mr. Clements and his team for enhancement of the Tanzania lion and their habitat.

Please refer to the numerous documents and responses previously submitted to FWS by Conservation Force, Professional Hunters, Operators and Professional Hunting Organizations, as well as information submitted by the government authorities of Tanzania in making a positive enhancement determination for this import.

If you have any questions regarding this import application, please do not hesitate to contact us at your convenience.

Sincerely,

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John Jackson
Legal Representative – Conservation Force

Enclosures:

- Import Permit Application 3.200.20
- Notice of Representation
- Hunting Permits
- Hunt Return Form
- African Emergency COVID Relief Fund-pledge
- Operator Enhancement Report Adam Clements Safaris
- Anti-poaching report- Adam Clements Safaris

cc: Ms. Crystal M. Watts (w/enclosures)

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Crystal M. Watts



Boerne, Texas 78006

2. Who should we contact if we have questions about the application (name, phone number, and e-mail)?

John Jackson (504) 837-1233 permits@conservationforce.org

3. Have you or your client (if a broker applying on behalf of your client), been assessed a civil penalty or convicted of any criminal provision of any statute or regulation relating to the activity for which the application is filed; been convicted, or entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, for a felony violation of the Lacey Act, the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, or the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act; forfeited collateral; OR are currently under charges for any violation of the laws mentioned above?

☒ No ☐ Yes

If you answered "Yes" to Question 3, provide: a) the individual's name; b) date of charge; c) charge(s); d) location of incident; e) court, and f) action taken for each violation. Please be aware that a "Yes" response does not automatically disqualify you from getting a permit.

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Panthera leo melanochaita, lion

- b. Sex (if known).

male

5. **IF ANIMAL IS CURRENTLY LIVING IN THE WILD**, please include the following information:

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N/A

- b. Date wildlife is to be hunted:

N/A

- c. Name of hunting outfitter, safari company, or professional hunter you will be hunting with:

Adam Clements Safaris Ltd.

6. **IF ANIMAL HAS ALREADY BEEN TAKEN**, please include the following:

- a. Country and location (e.g., area, region, GIS coordinates, ranch, conservancy, management area, or hunting block, AND nearest city) where trophy was removed from the wild:

Moyowosi Njingwe 2 Game Reserve, Tanzania. Closest City is Kigoma.

- b. Date wildlife was hunted:

July 7th, 2021

- c. Approximate age of animal:

10 years of age

- d. Name of hunting outfitter, safari company, and/or professional hunter you hunted with:

Adam Clements Safaris, Ltd.

- e. The current location of the trophy (address and country) [the U.S. CITES import permit will identify this country as the country of export/re-export and must match with the CITES export/re-export document]:

Adam Clements Safaris, Ltd. Arusha, Tanzania

7. Please provide a copy of any applicable foreign government permits, licenses, or tags, that were required to remove this animal from the wild (if you have not hunted yet and do not currently hold any such permits or licenses, please indicate so).

see attached

8. Complete name and address of overseas person or business shipping the trophy to you. If you are applying to import a trophy directly from **Namibia**, you **must** provide the name and address of the professional hunter listed on your Namibian hunting permit [this name will appear on the face of the export permit].

Name:

Business Name: Alexandria Logistics

Address: P.O. Box 45156

City:

State/Province: Dar es Salaam

Country, Postal Code: Tanzania

9. For species listed under the Endangered Species Act, please be aware that the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service must make a finding that your activities will enhance or benefit wild populations of the species involved. While we will communicate with the range country for the species you will hunt or have hunted when making the required findings, **please include the Operator Enhancement Questionnaire** provided in Annex I filled out by the operator or professional hunter of the concession in which you hunted or will hunt. You may attach an updated report of operations from this concession in lieu of this questionnaire if information regarding the enhancement of the survival or propagation of the species in the wild is made available in the report.
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See attached
11. Provide the name of the operator, safari company, or professional hunter with whom you hunted or will hunt.

Name (Company/Professional Hunter): Adam Clements - P.H.

E-mail: adam@safaritrackers.com

Phone number: 210-698-0077 office

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Applicant's signature: _____ Date: 11/22/21

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RE:	<u>Applicant:</u>	John J. Fisher
	<u>Species:</u>	Lion
	<u>Country:</u>	Tanzania
	<u>Date of hunt:</u>	July 10 th , 2021
	<u>Hunting with</u>	Adam Clements Safaris LTD.

Dear Madam/Sir:

Enclosed please find an import permit application for Mr. John J. Fisher for a sport-hunted lion trophy from Tanzania. Mr. Hellebusch took his lion in the Moyowosi Njingwe 3 Game Reserve in 2019.

Tanzania has the highest population of lions than any other country in Africa. According to the Non-detriment findings on the lion in Tanzania "there is no significant impact on the lion population" from Safari hunting and it will not have any impact or contribution to their decline. Safari Operators and TAWA, The Tanzania Wildlife Authority, are working jointly together to undertake the conservation of wildlife and their habitats. All of TAWA's funding is dependent upon sufficient revenue from Safari hunting.

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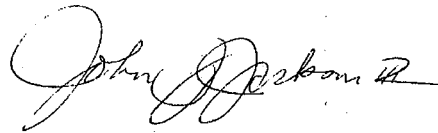
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- Operator Enhancement Report Adam Clements Safaris
- Anti-Poaching Report – Adam Clements Safaris
- Benefits of License, Regulated Hunting in Tanzania
- The Surprising Benefits of lion Safari hunting

cc: Mr. John J. Fisher (w/enclosures)

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John J. Fisher - [REDACTED] College Station, Texas 77845

2. Who should we contact if we have questions about the application (name, phone number, and e-mail)?

John Jackson (504) 837-1233 permits@conservationforce.org

3. Have you or your client (if a broker applying on behalf of your client), been assessed a civil penalty or convicted of any criminal provision of any statute or regulation relating to the activity for which the application is filed; been convicted, or entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, for a felony violation of the Lacey Act, the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, or the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act; forfeited collateral; OR are currently under charges for any violation of the laws mentioned above?

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Panthera leo melanochaita, lion

b. Sex (if known).

male

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N/A

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N/A

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Adam Clements Safaris, Ltd.

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Moyowosi Njingwe 3 Game Reserve, Tanzania. Closest City Kigoma.

b. Date wildlife was hunted:

July 10th, 2021

c. Approximate age of animal:

9 years of age

d. Name of hunting outfitter, safari company, and/or professional hunter you hunted with:

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Adam Clements Safaris, Ltd. Arusha, Tanzania

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see attached

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Name:

Business Name: Alexandria Logistics

Address: P.O. Box 45156

City: Dar es Salaam

State/Province:

Country, Postal Code: Tanzania

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See attached

11. Provide the name of the operator, safari company, or professional hunter with whom you hunted or will hunt.

Name (Company/Professional Hunter): Adam Clements - P.H.

E-mail: adam@safaritrackers.com

Phone number: 210 698 0077 office

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Applicant's signature: _____ Date: 11/22/21

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December 6, 2021

Department of the Interior
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Attn: Amy Brisendine
Division of Management Authority (DMA)
Branch of Permits, MS: IA
5275 Leesburg Pike
Falls Church, Virginia 22041-3803
VIA: E-Permits Filing

RE:	Import Permit Application for a sport-hunted lion trophy from Tanzania
APPLICANT:	Carl R. Atkinson
DATE OF TAKE:	November 12th, 2020

Good afternoon,

Attached please find the USFWS permit application to import a sport-hunted lion trophy from Tanzania for Mr. Carl R. Atkinson. Mr. Atkinson went on safari in November of 2020 with Bushman Hunting Safaris and took his lion in the Maswa Game Reserve with professional hunter, Michael Fell.

Tanzania contains over 40% of all the lions found in Africa (see attached excerpt from, *The Size of Savannah Africa: A Lions View*). TAWIRI (Tanzania Wildlife Research Institute) reports that Tanzania's latest lion population estimates are between 16,800- 17,564. The lion ranges in Tanzania cover over 90% of land with four main subpopulations. Maswa Game Reserve is part of the greater Serengeti National Park, which is one of the largest natural parks in Africa. Maswa Game Reserve is one of the most important buffer zones separating villages to the West from Serengeti National Park. The Reserve is abundant with wildlife and in the operator enhancement report attached the operator states the lion population to be dense with an upward trend over the last three years.

Tanzania is one of the world's leading countries in nature conservation (see the attached document *Sustainability of Lion Trophy Hunting in Tanzania*). With such a large population of important and desirable wildlife, Tanzania has developed a well-managed system for overseeing their vital wildlife assets. In 2014 TAWA, the Tanzania Wildlife Authority, was created. TAWA is an autonomous body responsible for undertaking the task of improving the efficiency and effectiveness of managing wildlife resources and their habitats. Almost all of TAWA's funding comes directly from user fees such as hunting license fees, hunting block fees, game fees etc. Without safari hunting, TAWA would cease to have the funding to exist. In the non-detriment findings for Tanzania lions, attached, it states that "sustainable utilization, in the form of highly selective and well-monitored safari hunting, can provide the needed revenues to achieve the goals of these strategies. The proceeds from lion safari hunting are re-invested into conservation and sustainable development in local communities." Please reference the excerpts from the non-detriment findings that also detail the requirements and rules for safari hunting, lion hunting, and hunting regulations that all aid in strengthening the management of valuable wildlife assets.

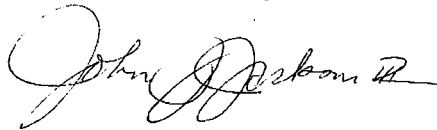
In evaluating this CITES import permit application, please consider the information we have provided from Michael Fell in his operator enhancement report. Mr. Fell has put together an extensive report, inclusive of professional photographs documenting much of the enhancement information provided.

Over the last five years Bushman Hunting Safaris and Mr. Fell have contributed more than \$11 million to the Maswa Game Reserve, all of which came from fees paid by trophy hunters. The majority of funds were spent on anti-poaching initiatives and equipment, staffing patrolman, and community programs such as schools and health programs. You will find that this operator is a model for wildlife conservation, addressing the major threats that can negatively affect the enhancement of wildlife species; they heavily monitor the animal populations by road and air, they are improving the infrastructure, they have close relationships with the community and the government, and are reducing the human-wildlife conflict. You will find all these topics addressed in detail in the enhancement report.

We ask that you consider all the documents provided, as well as documents submitted by the Tanzania government and other hunters when making an enhancement decision regarding this application. These hunters are providing the funding for wildlife conservation throughout the world and without their continued contributions, the future of the wildlife populations and the surrounding communities will be at risk.

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Sincerely,

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John Jackson
Legal Representative

Cc: Mr. Carl Atkinson (w/attachments)

Enclosures:

- a. Import Permit Application
- b. Notice of Representation
- c. Hunting Permits
- d. Operator Enhancement Report – Bushman Hunting Safaris Ltd.
- e. Sustainability of Lion Trophy Hunting in Tanzania
- f. Excerpt from *The Size of Savannah Africa: A Lions View*
- g. Non-detriment findings for Lion in Tanzania
- h. Addendum to the Non-Detriment Findings – an Analysis of age and offtakes

APPLICANT:
CARL R. ATKINSON

IMPORT PERMIT APPLICATION
3.200.20 (LION)
SECTION "E"

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Carl R. Atkinson [REDACTED], Orlando, FL 32804

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Maswa Game Reserve North, Tanzania

- b. Date wildlife was hunted: November 12th, 2020
- c. Approximate age of animal: 11-12 years old
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Bushman Hunting Safaris Ltd.; P.H. Michael Fell
- e. The current location of the trophy (address and country) [the U.S. CITES import permit will identify this country as the country of export/re-export and must match with the CITES export/re-export document]:
Bushman Hunting Safaris, Ltd. - Plot No. 61-64 Block E, Kihonda Industrial Complex, P.O. Box 678

Morogoro, Tanzania

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Name:

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City: Morogoro

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State/Province: Tanzania

Country, Postal Code:

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11. Provide the name of the operator, safari company, or professional hunter with whom you hunted or will hunt.

Name (Company/Professional Hunter): Michael Fell

E-mail: ops@bushmanhunting.com

Phone number: 255 23 260 3353

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Applicant's signature _____ Date: Dec 3, 2021

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December 7, 2021

Department of the Interior
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Attn: Amy Brisendine
Division of Management Authority (DMA)
Branch of Permits, MS: IA
5275 Leesburg Pike
Falls Church, Virginia 22041-3803
VIA E-PERMITS

APPLICANT: Robin Siegfried
RE: Import Permit Application for a Sport-hunted Lion
COUNTRY: Zimbabwe
DATE OF TAKE: September 19th, 2021

Ms. Brisendine:

Enclosed you will find an import permit application for a sport-hunted lion trophy from Zimbabwe for Mr. Robin Siegfried. Mr. Siegfried hunted with Lowveld Hunters in the Matetsi ECA (Extended Conservation Area) area of Zimbabwe, located in-close-proximity to Botswana and adjoined to Matetsi Units 1 and 4. The Matetsi hunting areas sit directly above Hwange National Park, the countries largest national park.

In Zimbabwe wildlife has an enormous value and brings national pride to the country. Their CAMPFIRE program has had an overwhelming positive effect on the communities living amongst dangerous wild game that has brought about acceptance and knowledge for their unique national resource. Zimbabwe is very aware that they are one of a few countries in the world that still have viable, stable, and growing lion populations and are making the most of managing and protecting them for the future.

A 2016 IUCN Red List assessment of African lion concluded that Zimbabwe is one of four range states with an increasing lion population, see the attached fact sheet entitled "The Importance of Lion Hunting in Zimbabwe". Zimbabwe has identified the major threats to its lion population: loss of habitat, loss of prey base, and human-wildlife conflict and addressed them all in their National Lion Conservation Strategy and Action Plan, updated in 2020 to guide the country through 2025. Mr. Siegfried spent \$15,000 in trophy fees for this lion. Trophy Fees make up most of the budget for anti-poaching patrols, community programs, and the bulk of conservation activities, which all aid in the protection of the lion population.

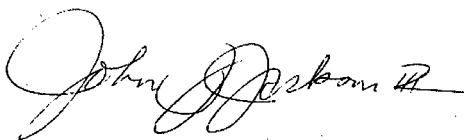
The operator, Lowveld Hunters, has a community land tenure agreement for their concession. Several surrounding communities decided to combine their land area. They agreed to support the value of local wildlife and preserve it, while allowing safari operators opportunities to monetize the land that created the Matetsi Extended Conservation Area (ECA). The larger area has provided ample habitat for prey species and predators. Payment methods to the Matetsi community through the CAMPFIRE program have benefitted them directly and have had an obvious positive effect on the increase in prey as well as enhancing the overall quality of life for the residents that must tolerate lions. In addition, if any human/wildlife conflict occurs the operator compensates that person and their family.

The ZPWMA office in the Matetsi Safari Area measures, monitors, and analyzes trophy quality and offtakes of all hunted animals. This is done to ensure that safari hunting does not substantially alter natural selection or ecosystem processes. The limited quota, further limited by age restrictions, ensures that hunting offtakes do not negatively affect natural processes, particularly for lions. Zimbabwe administers a Hunt return form for all lions that confirms the age of the animal taken. Hunting quotas are negatively adjusted for safari operators who take an animal that does not meet the quota, sex, and age-based restrictions. Please note that the operator has included pictures of the lion to show its old age. You can see in the pictures, attached, the teeth are worn, more than 50% of the nose is freckled, and the color of the skin is tawny which attests to the older age of this lion.

Please refer to the documents and responses included and previously submitted to the DMA by Conservation Force, Zimbabwe's wildlife authorities, professional hunters, and Safari operators where you will find that the regulated well-managed hunting that was done on this safari is furthering the enhancement of the lion population in the area and the conservation work done by this operator in tandem with ZPWMA is aiding in the protection of the native wildlife and the communities surrounding it.

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John Jackson
Legal Representative, Conservation Force

Cc: Mr. Robin Siegfried W/ attachments

Enclosures:

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Robin Siegfried -

Tulsa, OK 74114

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Panthera leo melanochaita, lion

- b. Sex (if known).

Male

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Matetsi ECA (Extended Conservation Area), Matabeleland North, Zimbabwe

b. Date wildlife was hunted: September 19th, 2021

c. Approximate age of animal: 10 years of age

d. Name of hunting outfitter, safari company, and/or professional hunter you hunted with:

Lowveld Hunters

e. The current location of the trophy (address and country) [the U.S. CITES import permit will identify this country as the country of export/re-export and must match with the CITES export/re-export document]:

Trophy Consultants International - 4 Josiah Chinamano Rd., Belmont, Bulawayo, Zimbabwe

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Name:

Business Name:

Address: LD Forwarding Co. Ltd.

P.O. Box GD 467

City: Greendale

State/Province: Harare

Country, Postal Code: Zimbabwe

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Name (Company/Professional Hunter): Lowveld Hunters

E-mail: lowveldhunt@yoafrica.com

Phone number: + 263 772 279166

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Applicant's signature: _____

Date: 10-14-2024

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December 16, 2021

Department of the Interior
U. S Fish and Wildlife Service
Division of Management Authority (DMA)
Branch of Permits, MS: IA
5275 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, Virginia 22041-3803
VIA E-PERMITS

RE:	<u>Applicant:</u>	Reece L. Boudreaux
	<u>Species:</u>	Lion
	<u>Country:</u>	Tanzania
	<u>Date of take:</u>	August 4 th , 2020
	<u>Hunting with</u>	Tanzania Wildlife Company

Dear Madam/Sir:

We are submitting an import permit application for Mr. Reece L. Boudreaux for a sport-hunted lion trophy from Tanzania. Mr. Boudreaux hunted with the Tanzania Wildlife Company and professional hunter Raoul Ramoni in August of 2020 in the Selous Game Reserve U3 and took his lion. In this submission you will find overwhelming proof of non-detriment and enhancement findings for lions in Tanzania. Also, to note is that this hunt took place during the global COVID pandemic of 2020, and this Game Reserve had only one lion taken in that year, though the operator continued to maintain and run the concession to conserve the land and the wildlife within it, while suffering drastic economic hardships.

Tanzania has the highest population of lions than any other country in Africa and this hunt took place in the Selous Game Reserve which has the largest population of lions in Tanzania, approximately 7,200 or more. According to the Non-detriment findings on the lion in Tanzania "there is no significant impact on the lion population" from Safari hunting and it will not have any impact or contribution to their decline. Safari Operators and TAWA, The Tanzania Wildlife Authority, are working jointly together to undertake the conservation of wildlife and their habitats. All of TAWA's funding is dependent upon sufficient revenue from Safari hunting.

Mr. Boudreaux hunted with the Tanzania Wildlife Company (2000) Ltd who have operated in the Selous GR for 21 years. Yet the Ramoni family who own the company have been operating in East Africa and Tanzania for about 136 years and are now on their fourth generation of Safari operators and wildlife conservationists. Mr. and Mrs. Raoul Ramoni were the Ox of Okavango Conservation Award Winners in 2013 with their companies' Tanzania Big Game Safaris, Tandala hunting safaris (1998), Tanzania safaris and Hunting (2003) and non-profit organization conservation foundation. "Raoul and Jan Ramoni through strict ethical hunting policies, active anti-poaching activities, and with considerable effort, investment and determination have done an impeccable job of managing, conserving, and protecting several hunting blocks throughout Tanzania for a great many years. The trophies, particularly the lion that these hunting companies consistently harvest are a testament to their management and conservation practices." Please see the document attached that details their award.

In the operator enhancement report provided and supplement operator report about the parent company Tanzania Big Game Safaris, you will find that Mr. Ramoni has a very strong and active anti-poaching team working throughout the year in each of the concession areas. In some cases, depending upon the size of the area he is managing, he employs five active anti-poaching teams with over 50 anti-poaching officers that are protecting a single area. Due to the very stringent wildlife management program, these areas under his management have a very healthy and sustainable game population.

In addition to the strict management and anti-poaching endeavors that Mr. Ramoni partakes in his community endeavors and contributions are also sizable. Tanzania Big Game Safaris and affiliates are associated with an NGO (non-governmental organization) that is called Conservation Foundation Tanzania. They work hand in hand with neighboring villages that are adjacent to the concessions teaching them about wildlife conservation, but also providing employment, building schools, supplying education materials, constructing health clinics, water delivery systems, and have developed roads and airstrips. Most notably is their work for handicapped community members, partnering with The Wheelchair Foundation in California to provide wheelchairs to those residents. Since 2013 they have invested over \$2 million USD into anti-poaching and community development.

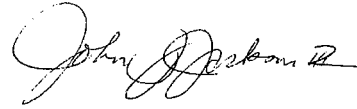
To continue to show enhancement from this operator we have included the Tanzania Lion Enhancement Summary Report. This report is a summary from top operators in Tanzania that demonstrates the overwhelming amount of work, money, and time that they have dedicated to wildlife conservation in Tanzania. Tanzania Big Game Safaris and affiliates is one of the parent companies presented in the report. The sample of hunting operators presented in the report provide enhancement for lion by addressing the three primary threats to their survival: loss of prey base, loss of habitat, and human lion conflict. The operators have taken on great expense to support anti-poaching, create incentives for rural communities to value and conserve wildlife, and secure large areas of habitat in their hunting concessions.

Lastly, we have attached the National Human Wildlife Conflict Management Strategy that Tanzania put out in 2020 and should guide the country through 2024. As populations of both people and wildlife are increasing in Tanzania the country has put together a management plan to address what can be one of the greatest risks to the lion population and that is human-lion conflict. In this document and all others included with this application you will see that through education and planning these threats to the lion species can mostly be eliminated, therefore allowing the populations to live and thrive in their natural habitats without disturbance from the modern world.

We ask that you please refer to the documents attached, and the numerous documents and responses previously submitted to FWS by Conservation Force, Professional Hunters, Operators and Professional Hunting Organizations, as well as information submitted by the government authorities of Tanzania in making a positive enhancement determination for this import.

If you have any questions regarding this import application, please do not hesitate to contact us at your convenience.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Jackson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

John Jackson
Legal Representative – Conservation Force

Enclosures:

- Import Permit Application 3.200.20
- Notice of Representation
- Hunting Permits
- Aging Certification documents with pictures showing old age
- Operator Enhancement Report
- Map of Hunt Area
- Ox of Okavango Conservation Award document
- Tanzania Lion Enhancement Summary Report
- Non-Detriment Findings for Lion in Tanzania
- National Human Wildlife Conflict Management Strategy

cc: Mr. Reece Boudreaux (w/enclosures)

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Reece L. Boudreaux [REDACTED] Midland, Texas 79701

2. Who should we contact if we have questions about the application (name, phone number, and e-mail)?

John Jackson of Conservation Force (504) 837-1233; permits@conservationforce.org

3. Have you or your client (if a broker applying on behalf of your client), been assessed a civil penalty or convicted of any criminal provision of any statute or regulation relating to the activity for which the application is filed; been convicted, or entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, for a felony violation of the Lacey Act, the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, or the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act; forfeited collateral; OR are currently under charges for any violation of the laws mentioned above?

☒ No ☐ Yes

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Selous GR U3, Tanzania - closest city is Liwale

b. Date wildlife was hunted: August 4th, 2020

c. Approximate age of animal: 9 years of age ?

d. Name of hunting outfitter, safari company, and/or professional hunter you hunted with:

Tanzania Wildlife Company; P.H. Raoul Ramoni

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Tanzania Safaris and Hunting Ltd., Block DD, Plot #91, Sakina area, Nairobi Rd., Arusha, Tanzania

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Name:

Business Name: Tanzania Safaris and Hunting Ltd.

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Sakina Area, Nairobi Rd.

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State/Province: Tanzania

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Name (Company/Professional Hunter): Tanzania Wildlife Company

E-mail: tbgs@tbgs.co.tz

Phone number: + 255 732 979 501

CERTIFICATION STATEMENT (original signature must be provided for either 11 or 12 below)

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IMPORT OF SPORT-HUNTED TROPHIES (Appendix I of CITES and/or ESA)

☒ New ☐ Reissue/Renew ☐ Amendment

OMB Control No. 1018-0093
Expires 08/31/2023



Complete Sections A or B, and C, D, and E of this application. U.S. address may be required in Section C.

A. Complete if applying as an individual			
1 a. Last name ELDRED	1.b. First name KENNETH	1.c. Middle name or initial A	1.d. Suffix
2. Alternate telephone number		3. E-mail address JOHN RULON @ PROCARGOUSA.COM	

B. Complete if applying on behalf of a business, corporation, public agency, Tribe, or institution			
1.a. Name of business, agency, Tribe, or institution		1.b. Doing business as (dba)	
2. Tax identification no.	3.a. Description of business, agency, Tribe, or institution		3.b. Website URL (if applicable)
4.a. Principal officer (P.O.) last name	4.b. P.O. first name	4.c. P.O. middle initial	4.d. P.O. Title
5. Primary contact name		6. Primary e-mail address	
7 a. Business telephone number	7.b. Alternate phone no.	8 a. Primary contact telephone no.	

C. All applicants complete address information			
1. Mailing Address (include if different than physical address; include name of contact person if applicable)			
2. City SOUTHLAKE		2.c. State TEXAS	2.d. Zip code/Postal code 76092
2.e. County/Province TARRANT		2.f. Country USA	

D. All applicants MUST complete	
1. Include a check or money order, payable to the U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE, a nonrefundable processing fee [50 CFR 13.11(d)(4)]. Federal, Tribal, State, and local government agencies, and those acting on behalf of such agencies, are exempt from the processing fee – attach documentation of fee exempt status as outlined in instructions. (50 CFR 13.11(d)).	
2. If you are requesting a reissue/renew/amendment, what is your permit/file number?	
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The individual/principal officer of the business must print and sign the application. (No photocopied or stamped signatures)	
Date (mm/dd/yyyy) 12/28/2021	

** Further instructions for the above application may be found on our ePermits website. See the last page for information on the Privacy Act, Paperwork Reduction Act, Estimated Burden, and Freedom of Information Act aspects of this application form.

Mail your application(s) to Division of Management Authority, Branch of Permits, MS:IA 5275 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22041-3803.

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PRO CARGO 15619 MORALES ROAD HOUSTON, TX 77032

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JOHN RULON JOHN RULON@PROCARGOUSA.COM 281-220-3158

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PANTHERA LEO - LION

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MALE

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MAKALALI GAME RESERVE

ROAD D202, GRAVE LOTTE, BA-PHALABORUA MOPANI, LIMPOPO - S. AFRICA

b. Date wildlife was hunted: SEPT 2021

c. Approximate age of animal: 8

d. Name of hunting outfitter, safari company, and/or professional hunter you hunted with:
ZANDER OSMERS SAFARIS

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CHARL OSMERS

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Name: LIFEFORM TAXIDERMY
Business Name: 7 ALUMINIUM RD
Address: WHITE RIVER, 1240 MPUMALANGA SOUTH AFRICA
City:
State/Province:
Country, Postal Code:

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Name (Company/Professional Hunter): CHARL OSMERS
E-mail: HUNT@OSMERSSAFARIS.COM
Phone number:

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Applicant's signature: _____ Date: _____

Be aware that there may be additional permitting or approval requirements by your local or state governments, as well as required by other Federal agencies or foreign government to conduct your propose activity. While the Service will attempt to assist where possible, it is your responsibility to obtain such approval.

14. All international shipment(s) must be through a designated port. A list of designated ports (where an inspector is posted) is available from the list of designated ports. If you wish to use a port not listed, please contact the Office of Law Enforcement for a Designated Port Exemption Permit (form 3-200-2).