

### **Reservations**

1. The provisions of the present Convention shall not be subject to general reservations. Specific reservations may be entered in accordance with the provisions of this Article and Articles XV and XVI.

2. Any State may, on depositing its instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession, enter a specific reservation with regard to:

(a) any species included in Appendix I, II or III; or

(b) any parts or derivatives specified in relation to a species included in Appendix III.

3. Until a Party withdraws its reservation entered under the provisions of this Article, it shall be treated as a State not a Party to the present Convention with respect to trade in the particular species or parts or derivatives specified in such reservation.

### **Article XXIV Denunciation**

Any Party may denounce the present Convention by written notification to the Depository Government at any time. The denunciation shall take effect twelve months after the Depository Government has received the notification.

### **Article XXV Depository**

1. The original of the present Convention, in the [Chinese](#), English, [French](#), [Russian](#) and [Spanish](#) languages, each version being equally authentic, shall be deposited with the Depository Government, which shall transmit certified copies thereof to all States that have signed it or deposited instruments of accession to it.

2. The Depository Government shall inform all signatory and acceding States and the Secretariat of signatures, deposit of instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession, entry into force of the present Convention, amendments thereto, entry and withdrawal of reservations and notifications of denunciation.

3. As soon as the present Convention enters into force, a certified copy thereof shall be transmitted by the Depository Government to the Secretariat of the United Nations for registration and publication in accordance with Article 102 of the Charter of the United Nations.

*In witness whereof* the undersigned Plenipotentiaries, being duly authorized to that effect, have signed the present Convention.

*Done* at Washington this third day of March, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-three.