

13. Orang-utans

Whereas the smuggling of orang-utans continues to some extent from Indonesia and Eastern Malaysia;

whereas efforts taken by the Indonesian Government and the Malaysian States of Sarawak and Sabah to protect the

species in their habitat areas and prevent smuggling of captives cannot be effective by themselves without the cooperation of other countries;

whereas the importation in transit, or importation into the country of final destination of captive orang-utans without the requisite official documents from the country of origin, namely Indonesia and the States of Sarawak and Sabah, promote illegal capture and trade;

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urges that all countries who have no appropriate legal provision at the present time to prohibit the importation, retention without licence and exportation of orang-utans without the support of official documents from Indonesia or the Malaysian States of Sarawak and Sabah, should be invited to make the introduction of such provisions their urgent concern.