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1. Relevance of the role for the IUCN SSC

hY'GdYVU]gh; fci dg'fG; E'UbX'HUg_: cfW'g'fH E'7\U]fg\Uj Y'U'fY'Yj Ubhfc'Y'UbX'fYgdcbg[V']Jmk]h']b' hY'7ca a]gg]cb

&"Dfc 'Y'XYgW]dh]cb'

GdYVU]gh; fci d'UbX'HUg_: cfW'7\U]fg'UFY'Uddc]bhYX'Vm'hY'7ca a]gg]cb'7\U]f']b'V'ebgi 'hU]cb'k]h' hY'GHYf]b['7ca a]hY'Yz'UbX'k]h' hY'7\U]fg'c'Z'h'Y'f' 7B'7ca a]gg]cbg]b'V'ebgi 'hU]cb'k]h' hY'f' GHYf]b['7ca a]hY'Yg'k' \Y'f'g']h' GdYVU]gh; fci dg'UbX'HUg_: cfW'g'UFY'V'ccg]7ca a]gg]cbU']b' bU' hi' fY"

GdYVU]gh; fci dg'UbX'HUg_: cfW'g'UFY' ['cVU' bY'hk cf_g'cZ] c'i bhY'f'Y' dY'f'g'cf [Ub]nYX'Vm'hU' cb' [fci d'zX]gW'd']b'Y'cf [Yc [fUd\]W' fY []cb" hY' d'f]a UfmX] YfYbW' VY'hk Y'Yb' h'Ya]g' h'U'G; 'UFY'Yg' hU'V']g' YX'Z'cf'Ub']b'X'Y' b]h' h'a Y'z'k' \]Y' H' \Uj Y' h'a Y'V'ci bX'gdYVY' W'c'V'Y'V'W]j Y'g" H' 'a UmX]ggc'] Y'U'Z'Y'f' U'W]Y]]b [h'Y'f' a UbX'U' h'Z'cf'Y'j c'] Y']b'c' W'Y'U'h]cb' c'Z'U'G; 'h'c' W'f'f'm'cb' h'Y'f' k' cf_ "

hY'YghUV']g' a Y'bh'c'Z'b'Yk 'G; ']g'Z'Yei Y'bh'm'd'f'W'X'YX' V'm'U' H' z'Y'gdYVU' m'h'c'g'Y' c'Z'U'X]gW'd']b'U'f'm'b'U'hi' fY" G; 'UbX' H' 'UFY'Ya VY'X'X'YX']b' h'Y'GdYV'Y'g'7'cbg'Y'f' U'h]cb'7'n'W'z'UbX'a Um]b'W' X'Y'U'W]j]h]Y'g']b' c'b'Y'cf' a cf'Y'c'Z]g'] Y'V'ea d'cb'Y'bh'g' B'Y'hk cf_ z'5gg'Y'ggz' D'Ub'z'5'W'UbX'7ca a i b]W'U'h'Y"

hY'7\U]f'k]\ Uj Y' h'Y'c'd'dc'f'hi b]m'h'c' VY'f'Y'Uddc]bhYX'Z'cf' i d' h'c' h'k' c' h'Y'fa g/Ub'm'U'X]h]cb'U' V'eb'g'Y'W' - h]Y' h'Y'fa 'k]\ VY'd'c'gg]V'Y'U'Z'Y'f'Ub'U'X]h]cb'U' V'eb'g']h]cb' d'f'c'W'gg'Y'X' V'm'h'Y'GG7'7\U]f']g'V'eb'X'i W'Y'X' k]h' [fci d'a Ya VY'fgz'VY'Z'cf'Y'V'ea a Y'b'W]b [Y'U'W' U'X]h]cb'U' h'Y'fa "

' "F Ygdcbg[V']]h]Y'g'c'Z'GG7'7\U]fg

3.1. Contributing to SSC's Conservation Mandate

The [GG7'A UbX'U'Y'Z'cf'&\\$&%&\\$\\$&\)](#) k Ug'YghUV']g' YX' V'm'h'Y' 7B'K'cf'X'7'cbg'Y'f' U'h]cb'7'cb [fY'ggz'UbX']g' X'f]]b' V'm'ci' f']g]cb' c'Z' A just world that values and conserves nature through positive action to prevent the loss of diversity of life on earth.

GdYVU]gh; fci d'UbX'HUg_: cfW'7\U]fg'UFY'f'Yei]fYX'h'c'.

- 5'W'ei U]bh'h'Ya g'Y'j Y'g'k]h' h'Y'GG7'A UbX'U'Y'UbX' h'Y' 7B'GdYV'Y'g'G'f'U'Y' []W'D'Ub' : f'U'a Y'k'cf_ f'&\$&% &\$&) z'k' \]W']b'W' X'Y'g' h'Y' ?Y'm'GdYV'Y'g'F'Y'g']h'g'UbX' h'Y'f']b'X]W'U'h'c'f'g"
- @Y'U'X'h'Y'X'Y' b]h]cb'c'Z'h'Y'ei U'X'f'Y'bb]U' h'U'f' [Y'f'g'Z'cf' h'Y'f' [fci d'z'k' \]W' k]\ VY'd'U'f'h'c'Z'h'Y' 7B' GdYV'Y'g'G'f'U'Y' []W'D'Ub' &\$&%&\$\$&) "
- D'fc]]X'Y'U'bbi U' f'Y'd'c'f'g'c'Z' d'f'c' [f'Y'gg'c'b' h'Y'g'Y' h'U'f' [Y'f'g' h'f'ci [\ GG7'8'U'h'z'W'eb'h'f']Vi' h]b [d'U'f'h]W' 'U'f'm'h'c' h'Y']b'X]W'U'h'c'f'g'Y'g'U'V']g' Y'X'cb' h'Y' 7B'GdYV'Y'g'G'f'U'Y' []W'D'Ub' : f'U'a Y'k'cf_ f'&\$&%&\$\$&) l' "

3.2. Red List assessments

: cf'GG7'GdYVU]gh; fci dg'h'U'U'U'U'U'g'F'YX' @gh'5i h'c'f]h]Y'g'Z'cf'h'Y' h'U' U'k]h']b' h'Y'f'f'Ya]h'z'h'Y'G; '7\U]f']g'f'Y'gd'cbg[V'Y'Z'cf'f'Y'V'ea a Y'b'X]b ['U'gi]h'U'Y'V'W'b'X]X'U'Y'h'c' h'Y'7\U]f'c'Z'h'Y'GG7' h'c'U'W'U'g'h'Y'F'YX' @gh' 5i h'c'f]h'm'f'f' @5'7'cc'f'X]b'U'h'c'f'c'Z'h'Y'GdYVU]gh; fci d' h'Y'F' @5'7'cc'f'X]b'U'h'c'f'W'U'bb'c'h'V'Y' h'Y'g'U'a Y'd'Y'f'g'cb' U'g'h'Y'G; '7\U]f' f'c'f'V'ea!7\U]f' l' "

GdYVU]gh; fci d'7\U]fg'UFY'f'Y'gd'cbg[V'Y'Z'cf'.

- X'Y'b'h]z']b ['gi]h'U'Y'V'W'b'X]X'U'Y'g'Z'cf'h'Y' d'f'c'd'c'g'Y'X'F' @5'7'cc'f'X]b'U'h'c'f' "
- 9'bg']b ['h'U'h'Y'F' @5'7'cc'f'X]b'U'h'c'f' a U]b'U]b'g'f'Y' [i 'U'f'V'eb'h'U'W'k]h' h'Y' 7B'F'YX' @gh']b []h'z' "

4.3. Oversight and coordination

HAY]a d'Ya YbUH]cb'cZfci h]bY Z' bVM]cbg'a UmVY XY'Y[UHYX'hc'G; #H: 'a Ya VYfgz'UH'ci [\ 'h]g]gi' h-
a UH' m'h Y'fYgdcbg[V']hmcZ'h Y' [fci d g'7\U]f''''

GdYVWU]gh; fci d'UbX'HUg_: cfW'7\U]fg'UFY'fYgdcbg[V]'Y'Zcf:'

UE''A UbU[]b['hAY [fci d g' bUbWg'f]bchdfj; UH' n'z'Vi hicfX]bUf]m]b V'eb' bVM]cb'k]h' U' \cgh]bgh]-
hi h]cb'cf'dUf'fYf'z'Ybgi f]b['h'UhZ' bXg'UFY'fU]gYX'cb'VY'U'ZcZ'hY [fci d'z'UX'YfYg'hc' h'Y' [IUCN](#)
[7ca a \]gg\]cb': \]bUbWU'Fi'Yg'UXcdhYX'Vm7ci bW\]cb' * ' z' bY'&\\$%+''](#)
VE''A UbU[]b['hAY [fci d g'V'ea a i b]W]h]cbg"
V'Z''Cj YfgY]b['hAY'k cf_'cZ [fci d'a Ya VYfgz'Ybgi f]b['dfcdYf'UbX'Y' W]Ybh]a d'Ya YbUH]cb'
fYdcf]b]"
XE''A U]b]U]b]b[[ccX'k cf_]b['fY'U]h]cbg'k]h' ch'Yf']bgh]hi h]cbg'k \c'c' Yf']b[_]bX'Ugg]ghU]bW'z'
gi W'Ug' \cgh]b['hAY [fci d g'gYV'YUf]U]h'cf'dU]X'ghU' z'UbX'Ybgi f]b['h'Uh'h'Y'U]V]j]h]Yg'cZ'hY [fci d'
V'ea d'mk]h' h'Y'UXa]b]ghf]U]j]Y'dc']W]Yg'UbX'dfcW'Xi fYg'cZ'hY' \cgh]bgh]hi h]cb''''

4.4. Conduct of the Group

GdYVWU]gh; fci dg'UbX'HUg_: cfW'g'UFY'cZ'h'V'W'YX'i dcb'hc'UXX'fYgg'V'ea d'Yi'UbX'V'eb'f'c]Yfg]U'
V'eb'gYf]U]h]cb']ggi Yg''h'Ym'W]ffmU'dck YfZ' 'fc'Y'z'UV'Y'hc']b' i YbW' h'Y'dc']W]Yg'cZ' z' 7B'UbX'ch'Yfg'
h'fci [\ 'h'Y'dfc]]g]cb'cZ'gci bX'z'Y]]XYbW'V'UgYX'h'V'W'b]W']b'Z'ca U]h]cb'UbX'Uf[i a Yb]h''

GG7 [fci dg'UFY'W'Uf'mdUgg]cbU]h']b' h'Y]f'gi ddcf'hcZ'h'Y'gdYV'W]g'k]h']b' h'Y]f'f'Ya]hg'z'gc'h'Yf'Y']g'U'
f]g_ h'Uh'7\U]fg'V'ei 'X'VY'dYf'W]j YX'Ug'V]UgYX'UX'j c'W]h'g'! h'Y]f']b]h'Y [f]m]UbX'W'YX]V']]m]Ug'h'V'W'b]W'
UX'j]gc'f'Z'cf'h'Y'GG7'z' 7B'UbX'ch'Yfg'a UmVYV'ea Y'V'ea dfca]gYX''K \Yb'gdYU_]b[]b' h'Y'bUa Y'cZ'
h'Y'GdYVWU]gh; fci d'cf'HUg_: cfW'z'7\U]fg'bY'YX'hc'k cf_]b' V'eb'Z'ca]m]k]h' z' 7B'dc']W]h'UbX'g'lc'i 'X'
Uggi a Y'fYgdcbg[V']]m]Z'cf'h'Y'c] YfU'' V'eb'Xi V'hc'Z'h'Y]f' [fci d'k]h' fYgd'YV'h'c'gi W']ggi Yg''''

GdYVWU]gh; fci d'UbX'HUg_: cfW'7\U]fg'UFY'h'Yf'Y'Z'cf'Y']b' W'Uf[Y'cZ' :

UE''GYY_]b['cd'cf'hi b]h]Yg'hc'dfc]]XY']bdi h'hc'fY'Yj Ubh'V'eb'gYf]U]h]cb'XYV'U]h'g'UbX'Z'cfU''
VE''A U_]b[]b]h'Yf]Yb]h]cbg'cb'h'V'W'b]W']ggi Yg']b' h'Y'bUa Y'cZ'h'Y [fci d'z'UbX'Ybgi f]b['UX'Ye'i UH'
V'eb'gi 'h]h]cb'k]h']b' h'Y [fci d'f]cf'hc'a U_]b['gi W']b]h'Yf]Yb]h]cbg"
V'Z''A U]b]U]b]b['ghU]bXUf'Xg'cZ'V'eb'Xi V'h'h'Uh'Y'b'UbW' h'Y [fci d g'dfcZ'Ygg]cbU'dfc' 'Y'z'ghU]b]b[z'
V'eb'f]Vi h]cb'UbX'Y' YV]j YbYgg"
XE''F'YV'eb']b]h]b['a Ya VYfg'V'eb'f]Vi h]cbg"
YE''K \Yf'Y'U]b]m]ggi Yg'VYUf'cb'h'Y'k cf_'cZ'Ub'ch'Yf'GG7 [fci d'z'7ca a]gg]cb' 'cf' z' 7B'fY []cbU'
c' W'z'Ybgi f]b['UX'Ye'i UH'UbX'dfcU]V]j Y'V'eb'gi 'h]h]cb'UbX'V'eb'cfX]b]h]cb'cZ'U]V]j]h]Yg''

4.5. Code of Conduct

GG7 'a Ya VYfg'd'YX[Y'hc'U]W]Y] Y'h'Y' \] [\ 'ghU]bXUf'Xg'cZ' z' 7B'7ca a]gg]cbg'z'Ug'YghU]V']g'YX']b' h'Y' [7cXY](#)
[cZ7cbXi V'hc'Z'h'Y'a Ya VYfg'cZ' z' 7B'7ca a \]gg\]cbg'z'UXcdhYX'Vm7ci bW\]cb' %+ '5i \[i gh'&\\$%+'' h'Y'](#)
7\U]fg'cZ'GG7 [fci dg'UFY'h'Y' fgh'Yj Y'cZ'fYgdcbgY'hc'WU]a g'cZ]b'z'U]V]h]cbg'hc'h'Y'7cXY'cZ7cbXi V'h'cb'
h'Y]f' [fci dg'z'c'ck]b['h'Y' ; i]XUbW'cb'h'Y'7cXY'cZ7cbXi V'h'UbX'DfU]V]W]g'Z'cf']hg' a d'Ya YbUH]cb'
UbX'g'lc'i 'X'U'g'V'fcUX'm]UbX'fY[i 'Uf'mdfca ch'Y'Uk UfYbYgg'UV'ci h'h'Y'7cXY'cZ7cbXi V'h'Ua cb['a Ya -
VYfg'cZ'h'Y]f' [fci dg''

4.6. Communication

7ca a i b]W]h]cb'UbX'bY'h'cf_]b['UFY'W'i W]U'fc'Yg'cZ'G; 'UbX'H' '7\U]fg''h']g']b]W' XYg'V'ea a i b]W]h]b['
ci hdi hg'hc'fY'Yj Ubh]g]U_Y' \c'XYfg'UbX'U]f[Yh'Ui X]YbW'g'z'dfc']b['h'Y'k cf_'cZ'h'Y [fci d'z'UbX'W'Y'i XU

Y''

19	HYfa g'cZFYZYfYbW'cZ: cW'`Dc]bh9! !g]hi `7cbgYfj Uh]cb
20	HYfa g'cZFYZYfYbW'cZ: cW'`Dc]bh7cbgYfj Uh]cb `D`Ubb]b[
21	HYfa g'cZFYZYfYbW'cZ: cW'`Dc]bhGi ghU]bUV`Y'! gY