

TRAFFIC Recommendations on the Proposals to Amend the CITES Appendices at the 16th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties

Proposal #/ Proponent	Species covered by the proposal	Proposal	RECOMMENDATION
# 53 USA	<i>Panax ginseng</i> and <i>Panax quinquefolius</i> Ginseng	Amendment of the annotation to the listings of <i>Panax ginseng</i> and <i>Panax quinquefolius</i> included in Appendix II. Amendment of annotation #3 with the addition of the underlined text: "Designates whole and sliced roots and parts of roots, <u>excluding manufactured parts or derivatives such as powders, pills, extracts, tonics, teas and confectionery.</u> "	<i>Panax ginseng</i> and <i>Panax quinquefolius</i> are medicinal plants whose roots yield the herbal medicine ginseng. <i>P. quinquefolius</i> is native to Canada and the USA; <i>P. ginseng</i> is native to China, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Republic of Korea, and the Russian Federation. This amendment proposal aims to address confusion caused by the original listing regarding whether manufactured products are subject to CITES provisions and proposes changing the existing annotation #3 applied to these two species from "whole and sliced roots and parts of roots." to include the additional text clarifying exemptions as follows: "whole and sliced roots and parts of roots excluding manufactured parts or derivatives such as powders, pills, extracts, tonics, teas and confectionery". The proposal's wording appears to clarify what products are included and what is not included under the listing of these species. ACCEPT