COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2214/98

of 15 October 1998

amending Council Regulation (EC) No 338/97 on the protection of species of wild fauna and flora by regulating trade therein

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 338/97 of 9 December 1996 on the protection of species of wild fauna and flora by regulating trade therein (1), as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 2307/97 (2), and in particular Article 19, point 3, thereof,

Whereas amendments have been made to Appendix III to the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora; whereas Annex C to Regulation (EC) No 338/97 should therefore be amended to incorporate these amendments;

Whereas adaptations need to be made to the 'Notes on interpretation of Annexes A, B, C and D' to Regulation (EC) No 338/97;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee on Trade in Wild Fauna and Flora,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Regulation (EC) No 338/97 is amended as follows:

1. the 'Notes on the interpretation of Annexes A, B, C and D' are amended as follows:

- (a) the annotation +216 is replaced by the following:
 - '+216 Population of the species in Bolivia.';
- (b) the following annotations are inserted:
 - '+217 Population of the species in Brazil
 - +218 All populations of the species in the Americas':
- 2. in Annex C the entry

'MELIACEAE Swietenia macrophylla (III CR) +216 #5 (American mahogany)'

is replaced by:

'MELIACEAE Swietenia macrophylla #5 (III/BO +216/BR +217/CR +218) (American mahogany)'.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the third day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 15 October 1998.

For the Commission
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Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 61, 3. 3. 1997, p. 1. (2) OJ L 325, 27. 11. 1997, p. 1.