



NOTIFICATION TO THE PARTIES

No. 2003/053

Geneva, 15 August 2003

CONCERNING:

Appendix III

1. In accordance with the provisions of paragraph 1 of Article XVI of the Convention, the Government of Ecuador has requested the Secretariat to include the following species in Appendix III:

FAUNA

ECHINODERMATA

HOLOTHUROIDEA

ASPIDOCHIROTIDA

Stichopodidae

Isostichopus fuscus (synonym: *Stichopus fuscus*).

2. In accordance with the provisions of Article XVI, paragraph 2, of the Convention, inclusion of this species in Appendix III shall take effect on 16 October 2003, i.e. 90 days after the date on which the inclusion was communicated to the Parties through the diplomatic channel.
3. A revised edition of the CITES Appendices, valid from 16 October 2003, will be distributed before that date and a copy will be placed on the CITES website.