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## Zimbabwe to stop destruction and mismanagement of its wildlife

### RECOMMENDATION CICGA57.REC01

RECOGNISING that Zimbabwe’s management of its wildlife resources was amongst the best and most proactive on the African continent;

UNDERSTANDING that during the last decade Zimbabwe lost a larger part of its wildlife due to weak protection, law enforcement and Governance (see also Resolution of the CIC Tropical Game Commission in 2004);

NOTING that in Zimbabwe poaching of the both highly endangered black and white rhinos was very high in the last 3 years and that around 200 animals were lost;

ACKNOWLEDGING that the Delegation of the European Union in Zimbabwe in November 2009 sounded the alarm that Zimbabwe’s environment is under serious threat and a point of no-return is rapidly approaching.

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CALLS UPON the Zimbabwean Government, in order to return to accountable and globally acceptable management and protection of its wildlife, to use the laws and policies in place to the fullest to protect the country's wildlife heritage for their country, their people and the global community.

PROPOSES immediate conservation action before a social and environmental catastrophe becomes irreversible.

ENCOURAGES donors and the private sector to seek cooperation with suitable agencies and institutions and the Government in Zimbabwe in order to strengthen wildlife conservation and revive the wildlife sector, in particular private and communal conservancies and protected areas.