



NOTIFICATION TO THE PARTIES

No. 2014/032

Geneva, 4 July 2014

CONCERNING:

Trade in Siamese rosewood (*Dalbergia cochinchinensis*) from Thailand

1. The species *Dalbergia cochinchinensis*, the Siamese rosewood, was included in CITES Appendix II at the 16th meeting of the Conference of the Parties (CoP16, Bangkok, March, 2013). The species is annotated #5, indicating that the only parts and derivatives included are "logs, sawn wood and veneer sheets".
2. The Management Authority of Thailand has informed the Secretariat that large shipments of timber have been intercepted while being exported illegally from its territory. Between October 2012 and September 2013, there were 1,619 seizures, amounting to 1,116 cubic metres of timber of *Dalbergia cochinchinensis*. And between October 2013 and May 2014, there were a further 1,421 seizures, totalling 952 cubic metres of timber of this species. These seizures reflect the large scale of the illegal trade in *Dalbergia cochinchinensis*.
3. The authorities in Thailand have also seized large volumes of timber of other *Dalbergia* species and *Pterocarpus* species.
4. All Parties are therefore urged to assist Thailand by checking shipments of timber, in order to stop any illegal trade in specimens of *Dalbergia cochinchinensis*. Parties that seize illegal shipments of timber of this species from Thailand are requested to communicate information about these seizures to the Management Authority of Thailand and to the Secretariat.
5. The contact details of the Management Authority of Thailand are as follows:

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