The finstern Glats provide babiats for four-species of small wild cats and all of them appear on the ments of the Avals at some point. Because of the cryptic enough space for the attental to tun-out, where it is beaten to death with sticks by the villagent. Pythous are usually pathed out of the burnows by getting held of their tuits or mouth. 5. Pecopies burrows and pythen ber rows are drag out and scene into someone enters the burrow to five the frightened animal. There is the frightened animal. There is and chance unture of these cambrotes the impact of human consumption of these may be should be strike these may be should be garded to get This impact aboud to striked to get this impact about an expected a beare understanding of the presen-tation and their successful in the human-dominated with habitats of the Eastern

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New Dolhi, Rogmoy, 2002, vi. 340p. en of Eastern Ghats : HAI Rawger of Seath East Insha : Vol. 1:

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Fecesity Police charged Sri Ranha with breeding tigers illegally, identifying over 300 tigers present at the facility without proper permis. In addition, the timestice to develop a national DNA da-Appendix I Asian big cats, particularly tigers. One operation singled out as needing increased seruiny and regulation was Thailand's own Sri Racha Tiger Zoo. On October 6, the Thai

support the Secretariat in its effects to fund the continued operation of the Task Force, with expanded force on libgal wade in all Appendix I Axian big can.

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4. Leopard Panthera pardus export quota increase for Namibia (CoP13 Doc. 19.1)

Leepard Panthera paralas expert quota increase for South Africa

Shekhar K.S. 2003, Eastern Ghats Report 2003; Small widden status and desinbution in 2 districts of the Eastern Chatas. Presented to the Andhra Pradesh Forest Department (unpublished report).

agreed to take account of concerns ex-pressed by TRAFFIC regreting the seed to improve management and reporting of its leopard export quests. Links to documents relevant to the CITES 13 cat issues are on the CAT website: www.felidae.org.including CITES official documents, IUCN Anal-

yees and TRAFFIC Recommendations, text of proposal withdrawal speeches, and news reports.

## **Endangered Classification for West African Lions**

by Kristin Nowell'

Convention on International attended the 13° Conference of the Parties to CITES (the

Programme) to organize a moeting of hist range seates, primarily in East and Southern Africa (SAOC), together with Kenya. There was strong oppositions from most host range state governments to the Kenya proposal, which they felt had been submitted without effective

be rejected Although the government of Canada expressed support for the pro-posal, the government of Mexico (the enly other range state) did not. The USA

The Cat Specialist Group at CITES CoP13

Lion (Pawthera (so): Regional population of West Africa in the Red List. Details of the clas-sification are as follows: but recent surveys have shown that the lions of West Africa are in Assessment (2004): EN C2al now been classified as Endangered serious decline, and so they have Vulnerable in the IUCN leo) is classified as

3. Conservation of and trade in Asian big cats (CoP13 Doc. 28)

 Kenya's proposal to transfer
the African lieu Panthera fro
frem Appendix II to Appendix I
(CoP13 Prep. 6) delegation, to represent the SSC Cat Specialist Group. October 2004, as part of the IUCN Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fasers and Flors), held in Bangkok, Thailand, from 2 to 14

ing is that Kenya agreed to withdraw the proposal.

In its withdrawal speech, Kenya expressed support for a proposal by the SADC countries to bold a series of

Evaluators: Urs and Christine Breitenmoser, Peter Jackson

The USA's proposal to remove the bebcat Lynx rafas from Ap-pendix II (CoP13 Prop. 5)

no exchange of breeding individuals (Chardennet, 2002; Baser and Van Der Merwe, 2004). The number of mature individuals in West Africa is estimated by two separate recent surveys at 850 (Bauer and Van Der Merwe, 2004) and 1,163 (Chardonnet, 2002). Both osti-The regional lion population of West Africa is isolated from lion popula-tions of Central Africa, with little or

populations in West Africa are currently declining.

individuals, although this is unknown Group (Bauer and Van Der Merwe

[RE]: Niger, Nigeria; Senegal; Sierra Leone [RE]; Togo.

net 2002). The African Lion Working Group, a network of lion specialists affiliated with the IUCN/SSC Cat Spe-

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