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**“On treatment of wild fauna species in zoos or other surroundings, where the individuals are exposed to the public”<sup>1</sup>**

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**“ON TREATMENT OF WILD FAUNA SPECIES IN ZOOS OR OTHER  
SURROUNDINGS, WHERE THE INDIVIDUALS ARE EXPOSED TO THE PUBLIC”<sup>2</sup>**

Pursuant to Article 102 of the Constitution and to article 26, paragraph 2 of the Law no.10006, date 23.10.2008 “On conservation of wild fauna” as amended, the Minister of Environment

**DECIDED**

1. The approval of Regulation “On treatment of wild fauna species in zoos or other surroundings, where the individuals are exposed to the public”.
2. The purpose of this regulation is to guarantee the protection of wild fauna in zoos and the contribution of these later to the conservation of biodiversity.
3. For the purposes of this regulation "zoos" means all permanent establishments where animals of wild species are kept for exhibition to the public for 7 or more days a year. The circuses, pet shops and establishment which do not exhibit a significant number of animals or species to the public and do not jeopardize the requirements of this regulation are excluded from the requirements of this regulation.
4. The legal or natural persons who uses the species of wild fauna for zoos shall implement the following conservation measures:
  - a. participating in:
    - i. research from which conservation benefits accrue to the species; and/or
    - ii. training in relevant conservation skills, and/or
    - iii. the exchange of information relating to species conservation and/or, where appropriate, captive breeding, repopulation or reintroduction of species into the wild;

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- b. promoting public education and awareness in relation to the conservation of biodiversity, particularly by providing information about the species exhibited and their natural habitats;
  - c. accommodating their animals under conditions which aim to satisfy the biological and conservation requirements of the individual species, inter alia, by providing species specific enrichment of the enclosures;
  - ç. maintaining a high standard of animal husbandry with a developed programme of preventive and curative veterinary care and nutrition;
  - d. preventing the escape of animals in order to avoid possible ecological threats to indigenous species and preventing intrusion of outside pests and vermin;
  - dh. keeping of up-to-date records of the zoo's collection appropriate to the species recorded.
5. In the event of a zoo or part thereof being closed, the control bodies defined in article 40 of the law no.10006, date 23.10.2008 “On protection of wild fauna” as amended shall ensure that the animals concerned are treated or disposed of under conditions which the Ministry deems appropriate and consistent with the purposes and provisions of this regulation.
6. The control bodies defined in article 40 of the law no.10006, date 23.10.2008 “On protection of wild fauna” as amended shall be in charge with the control on implementation of provisions of this regulation.
7. The control bodies shall draft and submit to the Ministry a report concerning the implementation of this regulation every 3 year.

This regulation shall enter into force after the publication in the Official Gazette.

**MINISTER**

**LEFTER KOKA**