Notice of the State Forestry Administration (No. 3, 2006)

In order to ascertain the current raw materials inventory of musks, leopard bones, bear biles, antelope horns, pangolin scales and snakes in the country, to strengthen the macroeconomic regulation and control, to optimize the allocation of resources, and to strengthen the resource management of leopards, musk deers, bears, antelopes, pangolins, snakes and other wild animals, it is now decided that a nationwide inventory inspection and verification on the abovementioned wild animal raw materials and products will be carried out. We now announce the inventory inspection and verification arrangements as follows:

- 1) From today onwards, until July 15, 2006, all units and individuals who possess musks, leopard bones, bear biles, antelope horns, pangolin scales, snakes and other wild animal raw materials stocks should have the Proof of Legitimate Source of the raw materials, and declare the types of raw materials in the inventory, the quantity and the time of obtaining the raw materials to the local Forestry Administration Department.
- 2) Each provincial Forestry Administration Department shall gather information on the types and amount of raw materials in the declared inventory, and report it to the State Forestry Administration by July 31, 2006.
- 3) After the reported raw material inventory has been inspected and verified by the local provincial Forestry Administration Department and the State Forestry Administration Detecting Centre of Wildlife, it will be packed using standard containers, numbered, stored centrally and registered under the State Forestry Administration records by the State Forestry Administration Detecting Centre of Wildlife. The sale, processing & utilization and export of registered stocks of raw materials can be obtained by applying for administrative permit.
- 4) From July 31, 2006 onwards, when applying for the administrative permit for the sale, processing & utilization and export of registered stocks of raw materials etc., the Proof of Legitimate Source is to be submitted, inspected, examined and assessed, for unregistered raw materials stocks; whilst for registered stocks, the Proof of Legitimate Source will not be required at all levels.

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