
to 1995 may not be strictly comparable.
However, the Group noted the following caveats:

- it would wish to re-examine the continental listing of the African elephant after the new listing criteria have been approved;
- furthermore, it would hope to evaluate the listing at regional and/or national levels, once appropriate criteria had been developed;

- in addition, there is need to re-evaluate the population trends of the African elephants, by applying the same categorisation process that had been adopted by the African Elephant Database (AED) for the 1995 continental estimate, to those estimates available from 1979.

SESSION TITLE: MINUTED MEETING

Chair: H Dublin

Rapporteurs: L Sebogo, G Overton

The final half-day of the meeting was dedicated to a closed, minuted session. At this session, the members reviewed the decisions and findings of the week, and officially agreed to all resolutions.

The Group agreed upon decisions for:

- Recommendations from the data needs and site selection working groups
- DRTF members and Terms of Reference

- Data dissemination policy
- HETF members and Terms of Reference
- AfESG mission, objectives and activities
- Captive breeding of Elephants
- Current IUCN/SSC Listing of the African elephant

SESSION TITLE: AOB AND CLOSE OF MEETING

The participants from West and Central Africa thanked the Chair and for all the efforts to integrate the two sub-regions into the activities of the Group. They noted that the efforts are very important to allow the effective contribution of the two sub-regions into the workings of the Group.

A member expressed his gratitude to the US Fish and Wildlife Service for sponsoring all the members of the AfESG to attend the meeting and he also appreciated, on behalf of the Group, their efforts not only for this meeting, but all their efforts to assist Africa in the conservation of the elephant.