Convention on the Conservation of European Wildlife and Natural Habitats



Standing Committee

Recommendation No. 35 (1992) on the conservation of some species of invertebrates listed in Appendix II of the convention

(Adopted by the Standing Committee on 4 December 1992)

The Standing Committee of the Convention on the Conservation of European Wildlife and Natural Habitats, acting under the terms of Article 14 of the convention,

Having regard to the aims of the convention to conserve wild flora and fauna and their natural habitats;

Referring to Recommendation No. R (86) 10 of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe concerning the charter on invertebrates;

Recalling that Article 1, paragraph 2, of the convention requires that Contracting Parties give particular emphasis to the conservation of vulnerable and endangered species;

Noting that some populations of invertebrate species listed in Appendix II to the convention are in a critical state and require urgent conservation action;

Recommends that Austria, France, Germany, and Switzerland:

1. locate the remaining populations of *Hypodrias maturna*; carry out research on the biology of the species, including methodology for locating its populations;

Recommends that Austria and Switzerland:

2. take appropriate measures to protect the populations of *Coenonymphae oedippus* in the Upper Rhine valley;

Recommends that France:

- 3. carry out a national survey of Margaritifera auricularia;
- 4. give adequate legal protection to an invertebrate species in Appendix II to the convention which remain legally unprotected;

Recommends that France and Germany:

5. carry out surveys of *Maculinea nausithous* and *Maculinea teleius*, assessing its conservation problems, in particular those related to management practices in their habitats;

Recommends that Portugal:

6. survey the species Geomalacus maculosus;

Recommends that Spain:

- 7. survey and take the appropriate means to protect the remaining populations of *Margaritifera auricularia* in the Ebro Natural Park and surrounding areas;
- 8. carry out adequate surveys of the populations of *Maculinea nausithous* in Picos de Europa and in the Soria province; monitor very closely the population in León, assessing the evolution of its size, and research its conservation problems.