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Skylar and all,

Thank you for responding to this scheduling request and the positive news about Chris' attendance.

Reggie, let's touch base in a separate chain to discuss the travel plan and other logistics with the whole US team.

Best,

Joe

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Hi Joseph,

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Thanks again for returning my call earlier. As we discussed, Christopher Prandoni will serve as a surrogate for Secretary Bernhardt. CC'd to this email is Reggie Rogers, Mr. Prandoni's assistant, who will help coordinate schedules and travel.

Thanks again for the invitation, and please let me know if I can be of additional help.

Skyler

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On Thu, Sep 26, 2019 at 2:51 PM Goergen, Joseph <jgoergen@safariclub.org> wrote:

Hi Samantha,

I want to follow up here with the scheduling request and make sure it went through the right channel. Please let me know if you need anything else beyond the completed form.

Thank you,
Joe

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Dear Eric and USFWS team,

#1364421.2

I hope you traveled home safely and are recovering well from the CITES CoP. Thank you for introducing me to Rob while in Geneva.

Following receipt of our Save the Date, Safari Club International Foundation (SCIF) and the Zimbabwe National Parks and Wildlife Management Authority (ZimParks) formally invite you to the **17th African Wildlife Consultative Forum (AWCF) from 11-15 November in Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe**. Please see the official invitation letter attached.

As I mentioned, we want to submit the attached scheduling request to the Secretary and his list of surrogates. We are hoping that His Excellency President Mnangagwa will open the ceremony, if not Minister Mupfumira. Several other Ministers may even attend the opening day and we will have Permanent Secretaries or Director Generals present from most of the southern and eastern African countries.

The attendance response at the CoP was overwhelmingly positive. AWCF will be an important follow up to discussions had there on future CITES strategy and the engagement of rural communities. I recall last year that the USFWS' presentation on the status of permitting for various African species was extremely valuable to AWCF attendees.

To support the development of this year's agenda, SCIF is sharing a [call for select country reports and presentations](#). Please submit your ideas with speaker nominations. We are also including a new [travel information document](#) to assist your planning needs. Please see the attached materials for more information. We will again be using a WhatsApp group for important announcements, on-site coordination and general information sharing. If you would like to join, please message me at +1(202)-774-0440.

Along with this invitation, each attendee is required to register. Please visit AWCFinfo.org and follow the instructions. The **deadline for registration is October 11th**. Please also include your **flight itineraries by October 25th** so we can get an accurate attendance number for hotel accommodations and airport shuttles. Note while making travel arrangements that the PHASA AGM is directly before and AWCF is immediately followed by the Africa Protected Area Congress. I hope that the CITES CoP18's rescheduling in late August will not impact your travel plans to AWCF.

SCIF, along with your African government peers, really appreciate the US' participation as it adds so much value to AWCF. I know that you are already planning to combine the trip with a field visit to South Africa, but please let me know if you are also available to spend some time in Zimbabwe before the forum begins. ZimParks would like to separately invite the US on a pre-conference tour to see the status of conservation across various land use types.

A draft agenda and cultural program will be shared soon. Please reach out to me with any questions. I am looking forward to a productive week engaging in the future of sustainable use, communities and wildlife conservation in Africa.

Sincerely,
Joe

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