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To coordinate authorities within the Department of the Interior and within the Federal Government to enhance the United States' ability to conserve global wildlife and biological diversity, and for other purposes.

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Ms. BORDALLO introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

To coordinate authorities within the Department of the Interior and within the Federal Government to enhance the United States' ability to conserve global wildlife and biological diversity, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

4 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the
5 “Global Wildlife Conservation, Coordination, and En-
6 hancement Act of 2009”.

1 (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for
 2 this Act is as follows:

- Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.
- Sec. 2. Findings and purposes.
- Sec. 3. Definitions.
- Sec. 4. Coordination.
- Sec. 5. Relationship to other authorities.

TITLE I—DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR INTERNATIONAL WILDLIFE CONSERVATION PROGRAM AUTHORITY

Subtitle A—Institute for International Wildlife Conservation

Sec. 101. Institute for International Wildlife Conservation.

Subtitle B—Programs

- Sec. 121. Wildlife Without Borders Program.
- Sec. 122. Public outreach, education, and wildlife awareness program.
- Sec. 123. Center for International Wildlife Recovery Partnerships.

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- Sec. 131. Global Wildlife Conservation Advisory Committee.
- Sec. 132. International Wildlife Conservation Fund.

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Sec. 141. Enhancing law enforcement activities.

TITLE II—GLOBAL WILDLIFE COORDINATION COUNCIL

Sec. 201. Global Wildlife Coordination Council.

3 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS AND PURPOSES.**

4 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

- 5 (1) The United States’ role in confronting
- 6 international challenges, protecting the environment,
- 7 expanding opportunities for people, and articulating
- 8 a vision for global action gives it the opportunity to
- 9 lead an international wildlife conservation effort.
- 10 Our Nation has a longstanding commitment of as-
- 11 sisting other countries with the conservation of wild-
- 12 life species. Wildlife conservation resources, includ-

1 ing trained wildlife professionals, are often unavail-
2 able or highly limited in many foreign range States
3 containing globally important biological resources.

4 (2) Conservation activities, in the United
5 States, in neighboring countries in North America
6 and the Western Hemisphere, and overseas, are re-
7 quired to fulfill the Federal Government's obliga-
8 tions under numerous treaties, laws, agreements,
9 and cooperative programs.

10 (3) Since 1989, the Secretary of the Interior,
11 through the United States Fish and Wildlife Service,
12 has provided wildlife conservation assistance
13 throughout the world by developing locally adapted
14 wildlife management and conservation programs, in
15 coordination with nongovernmental organizations,
16 governments, private businesses, community leaders,
17 and other stakeholders, in an effort to maintain, re-
18 cover, and restore global species diversity, habitats,
19 and ecosystems.

20 (4) Specifically, the Wildlife Without Borders
21 Program administered by the Service has been re-
22 sponsible for implementation of over 800 conserva-
23 tion projects through public and private partnerships
24 with local government, nongovernmental, and inter-
25 national wildlife organizations around the world that

1 help to address grassroots threats to numerous en-
2 dangered or threatened wildlife species, habitats and
3 landscapes, and ecosystems. This Program com-
4 plements other species-specific programs imple-
5 mented by the Service to conserve global priority
6 wildlife species and to provide education, training,
7 and outreach to strengthen range State capacity for
8 habitat and wildlife conservation throughout the
9 world and serve a key role in facilitating broader
10 international coordination.

11 (5) Notwithstanding the benefits of these pro-
12 grams, current international wildlife conservation ac-
13 tivities of the Service and the Federal Government,
14 especially technical assistance to range States, ca-
15 pacity building, coordination and information shar-
16 ing among law enforcement agencies, screening and
17 enforcement of trade restrictions under the Conven-
18 tion on the International Trade in Endangered Spe-
19 cies of Wild Fauna and Flora, and lack of knowledge
20 by the general public regarding the illegal and
21 unsustainable trade in fish and wildlife and the
22 many benefits provided by these resources that con-
23 tribute to healthy landscapes and ecosystem func-
24 tion, are generally insufficient and in need of im-
25 provement and focused attention.

1 (6) Although the Secretary is broadly author-
2 ized to initiate agreements and partnerships to pro-
3 mote wildlife conservation under the Fish and Wild-
4 life Act of 1956 (16 U.S.C. 742a et seq.), the En-
5 dangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et
6 seq.), the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act (16
7 U.S.C. 661), the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (16
8 U.S.C. 703 et seq.), and other statutes, a specific or-
9 ganic authority recognizing the role of the Secretary
10 in coordinating international wildlife conservation
11 activities within the Federal Government will help
12 efficiency and effectiveness of existing programs,
13 provide for greater collaboration and sharing of re-
14 sources, and acknowledge and restore international
15 wildlife conservation leadership by the United
16 States.

17 (7) The general public is vastly undereducated
18 regarding the importance of species biodiversity, the
19 laws, treaties, and regulations surrounding the sale,
20 purchase, and transportation of wildlife and wildlife
21 products across borders, both international and do-
22 mestic, associated wildlife and wildlife-related human
23 health risks, and the implications, size, and scope of
24 the trade in wildlife and wildlife products. The ef-
25 forts being made to educate the United States public

1 regarding such matters are, to this point, insuffi-
2 cient and in need of improvement.

3 (8) Nongovernmental organizations frequently
4 hold a wealth of knowledge, ability, experience, and
5 expertise in matters relating to the international
6 conservation of wildlife, the zoological and biological
7 sciences associated with species survival, the ecologi-
8 cal issues involved with habitat maintenance, wildlife
9 and wildlife-related human health risks, and the edu-
10 cation of public audiences on issues dealing with
11 conservation, habitat protection, and threats to wild-
12 life. Establishing formal mechanisms through which
13 the Federal Government can actively partner with
14 those organizations will strengthen and enhance
15 those international conservation efforts undertaken
16 by the Federal Government.

17 (b) PURPOSES.—The purposes of this Act are—

18 (1) to provide specific authority to the Sec-
19 retary to coordinate activities within the Department
20 of the Interior to assert international leadership in
21 the active conservation of wildlife species and their
22 habitats;

23 (2) to assist range States on a global, regional,
24 or species basis through a comprehensive approach
25 that—

1 (A) builds local, national, and regional
2 wildlife conservation capacity within range
3 States;

4 (B) strengthens strategic landscape and
5 ecosystem-level conservation planning;

6 (C) facilitates scientific, technical, and fi-
7 nancial assistance to conserve wildlife species
8 and their habitats;

9 (D) bolsters law enforcement and informa-
10 tion sharing;

11 (E) strengthens on-the-ground monitoring
12 of wildlife health;

13 (F) enhances long-term public outreach
14 and education opportunities; and

15 (G) enhances opportunities for wildlife re-
16 habilitation and restoration;

17 (3) to provide a formal coordinating authority
18 within the Federal Government to promote inter-
19 national wildlife conservation, improve coordination,
20 and develop a cohesive and strategic approach to the
21 implementation of the action strategy developed
22 under title II; and

23 (4) to demonstrate the United States' commit-
24 ment to international wildlife conservation and the
25 preservation of global biological diversity.

1 **SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.**

2 In this Act:

3 (1) ACTION PLAN.—The term “Action Plan”
4 means the Action Plan created under section 101(d).

5 (2) ADVISORY COMMITTEE.—The term “Advi-
6 sory Committee” means a Global Wildlife Conserva-
7 tion Advisory Committee established under section
8 131.

9 (3) CAPACITY BUILDING.—The term “capacity
10 building” means the active process of developing and
11 strengthening the technical skills, abilities, adminis-
12 trative and management processes, and resources
13 that organizations and communities need to survive,
14 grow, learn, and adapt to variable circumstances to
15 successfully implement and fulfill long-term wildlife
16 conservation initiatives.

17 (4) CENTER.—The term “Center” means the
18 Center for International Wildlife Recovery Partner-
19 ships established under section 123.

20 (5) CITES.—The term “CITES” means the
21 Convention on International Trade in Endangered
22 Species of Wild Fauna and Flora.

23 (6) CONSERVATION.—The term “conservation”
24 includes—

25 (A) the methods and procedures necessary
26 to bring a species to the point at which there

1 are sufficient populations in the wild to ensure
2 that the species does not become extinct; and

3 (B) all activities associated with protection
4 and management of a species, including—

5 (i) maintenance, management, protec-
6 tion, and restoration of species habitat;

7 (ii) research and monitoring;

8 (iii) law enforcement;

9 (iv) community outreach and edu-
10 cation, both of the general public and con-
11 sumers of wildlife or wildlife products; and

12 (v) strengthening the capacity of local
13 communities, government agencies, non-
14 governmental organizations, and other
15 stakeholder institutions to implement con-
16 servation programs and activities.

17 (7) COUNCIL.—The term “Council” means the
18 Global Wildlife Coordination Council established
19 under section 201.

20 (8) DIRECTOR.—The term “Director” means
21 the Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife
22 Service.

23 (9) EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.—The term “Execu-
24 tive Director” refers to the head of the Center for

1 International Wildlife Recovery Partnerships, estab-
2 lished by section 123 of this Act.

3 (10) FUND.—The term “Fund” means the
4 International Fish and Wildlife Conservation Fund
5 established by section 132.

6 (11) INSTITUTE.—The term “Institute” means
7 the Institute for International Wildlife Conservation
8 established under section 101.

9 (12) PROGRAM.—The term “Program” means
10 the Wildlife Without Borders Program under section
11 121.

12 (13) RANGE STATE.—The term “range State”
13 means a State any portion of which is within the
14 natural range of distribution of a wildlife species.

15 (14) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary”
16 means the Secretary of the Interior.

17 (15) SERVICE.—The term “Service” means the
18 United States Fish and Wildlife Service.

19 (16) SPECIES.—The term “species” includes
20 any subspecies of fish or wildlife or plants, and any
21 distinct population segment of any species of
22 vertebrate fish or wildlife.

23 (17) STATE.—The term “State” includes the
24 several States, the District of Columbia, American
25 Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern

1 Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Is-
2 lands.

3 (18) STRATEGIC PLAN.—The term “Strategic
4 Plan” means the United States Fish and Wildlife
5 Service’s Office of Law Enforcement Strategic Plan
6 2006–2010.

7 (19) WILDLIFE.—The term “wildlife” means
8 any member of the animal kingdom, including, but
9 not limited to, mammals, fish, birds, amphibians,
10 reptiles, mollusks, or arthropods.

11 **SEC. 4. COORDINATION.**

12 The Secretary may utilize all land, services, equip-
13 ment, personnel, facilities, and resources of the Depart-
14 ment of the Interior, its bureaus and agencies, in further-
15 ance of the mandates under this Act.

16 **SEC. 5. RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER AUTHORITIES.**

17 Nothing in this Act affects authorities, responsibil-
18 ities, obligations, or powers of the Secretary under any
19 other statute.

1 **TITLE I—DEPARTMENT OF THE**
2 **INTERIOR INTERNATIONAL**
3 **WILDLIFE CONSERVATION**
4 **PROGRAM AUTHORITY**

5 **Subtitle A—Institute for Inter-**
6 **national Wildlife Conservation**

7 **SEC. 101. INSTITUTE FOR INTERNATIONAL WILDLIFE CON-**
8 **SERVATION.**

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall establish
10 within the Service the Institute for International Wildlife
11 Conservation, which shall implement and administer the
12 programs authorized by this title.

13 (b) ASSISTANT DIRECTOR.—The Institute shall be
14 headed by an Assistant Director for International Wildlife
15 Conservation, appointed by the Secretary from among in-
16 dividuals with appropriate experience and education.

17 (c) FUNCTIONS.—The Secretary, through the Insti-
18 tute, shall—

19 (1) coordinate international conservation efforts
20 abroad initiated by the Department of the Interior
21 under other provisions of law, including the provi-
22 sion of monetary, technical, and logistical assistance
23 to on-the-ground conservation efforts at the global,
24 regional, and species-specific levels in range States;

1 (2) enhance wildlife species conservation by fo-
2 cusing efforts on long-term capacity building, con-
3 servation education, wildlife health, wildlife adapta-
4 tion to climate change impacts, and human-wildlife
5 conflict reduction;

6 (3) enhance the capabilities of the Institute to
7 work with domestic and international wildlife law en-
8 forcement;

9 (4) provide a forum for the coordination of
10 Federal, State, local, tribal, and nongovernmental
11 wildlife conservation efforts;

12 (5) create and maintain a public education cam-
13 paign to inform consumers of the laws guiding the
14 buying, selling, and transporting of fish or wildlife
15 and their derivatives, and the global implications of
16 the take of wildlife and the associated wildlife and
17 wildlife-related human health risks; and

18 (6) any other functions that the Secretary con-
19 siders necessary to the promotion of wildlife con-
20 servation internationally.

21 (d) INTERNATIONAL WILDLIFE CONSERVATION AC-
22 TION PLAN.—

23 (1) IN GENERAL.—No later than one year after
24 the date of enactment of this Act, the Assistant Di-
25 rector, in consultation with the Director, the head of

1 the Office of Law Enforcement within the Service,
2 and other bureaus or agencies within the Depart-
3 ment of the Interior responsible for the conservation
4 of wildlife, shall create, submit to the Committee on
5 Natural Resources of the House of Representatives,
6 and the Committee on Environment and Public
7 Works of the Senate, and publish in the Federal
8 Register an International Wildlife Conservation Ac-
9 tion Plan consistent with the purposes of this Act.

10 (2) GOALS AND OBJECTIVES.—The Action Plan
11 shall include—

12 (A) a statement of goals and objectives;

13 (B) an implementation schedule, including
14 a description of future priorities to advance
15 international wildlife conservation; and

16 (C) discussion of—

17 (i) an assessment of existing and pro-
18 jected threats facing global wildlife and
19 their habitats;

20 (ii) an evaluation of current wildlife
21 conservation education initiatives in the
22 United States and an identification of wild-
23 life conservation educational needs in the
24 United States;

1 (iii) creation, maintenance, and eval-
2 uation of a wildlife education strategy, in-
3 cluding identification of target audiences
4 and selection of appropriate educational
5 messages and types of media to conduct
6 public and consumer education programs
7 regarding trade in wildlife and wildlife
8 products;

9 (iv) an assessment of existing wildlife
10 law enforcement activities and enhance-
11 ment strategies for improving international
12 wildlife law enforcement;

13 (v) an evaluation of the Program, and
14 its effective utilization and incorporation of
15 principles of conservation biology and land-
16 scape and ecosystem-level conservation for
17 long-term efficiency in conservation;

18 (vi) an evaluation of the activities of
19 the Center;

20 (vii) assessment of the effective, effi-
21 cient, and coordinated implementation of
22 the programs authorized under the Insti-
23 tute;

24 (viii) an assessment of existing coordi-
25 nation of Federal and non-Federal re-

sponses to address wildlife and wildlife-related human health risks in the United States; and

(ix) other factors considered essential by the Assistant Director of the Institute.

(3) CONSULTATION.—The Assistant Director, through the Institute, shall consult with accredited zoos and aquariums, international wildlife organizations, academic institutions, nongovernmental organizations, and other relevant stakeholders with expertise in wildlife conservation regarding the development of the Action Plan.

(4) REPORTING.—Beginning no later than three years after date of enactment of this Act and biennially thereafter, the Secretary shall report to the Committee on Environment and Public Works in the Senate and the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives on the implementation of the Action Plan.

(5) REVIEW.—The Assistant Director, through the Institute, shall periodically review and revise the Action Plan as necessary but no less than once every five years.

Subtitle B—Programs

SEC. 121. WILDLIFE WITHOUT BORDERS PROGRAM.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, through the Institute, shall carry out a Wildlife Without Borders Program to provide international wildlife conservation assistance through the initiation, facilitation, and promotion of locally adapted wildlife management and conservation programs in coordination with nongovernmental organizations, governments, private businesses, community leaders, and other stakeholders. The Program shall include, but shall not be limited to, partnership programs for grassroots capacity building, landscape and ecosystem-level conservation planning, applied scientific conservation research, wildlife health, wildlife adaptation to climate change impacts, application of field methods and procedures, and wildlife management training.

(b) PROGRAM COMPONENTS.—The Program shall include the following components:

(1) GLOBAL PROGRAM.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—A global program, which shall, through programs under the jurisdiction of the Secretary that are implemented through the Service—

(i) implement global habitat and conservation initiatives;

1 (ii) address the international aspects
2 of global conservation threats, such as cli-
3 mate change, invasive species, wildlife dis-
4 ease, habitat conversion, fragmentation
5 and degradation, and illegal and
6 unsustainable wildlife trade;

7 (iii) coordinate, to the extent prac-
8 ticable, with the activities of other Federal
9 agencies participating in the Council and
10 those Federal agencies with relevant wild-
11 life conservation functions;

12 (iv) coordinate, and implement inter-
13 national treaties, conventions, and accords
14 on behalf of the Service and in collabora-
15 tion with other appropriate Federal agen-
16 cies; and

17 (v) assess opportunities for
18 transboundary conservation initiatives that
19 conserve wildlife and build managing part-
20 nerships.

21 (B) RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER LAW.—

22 Nothing in this paragraph alters the respon-
23 sibilities of the Secretary required under section
24 8 of the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956 (16
25 U.S.C. 742g).

1 (2) REGIONAL PROGRAM.—A regional program,
2 which shall—

3 (A) address grassroots conservation prob-
4 lems through, subject to the availability of ap-
5 propriations, a regional grant program focused
6 on capacity building within regional range
7 States to achieve comprehensive landscape or
8 ecosystem-level fish or wildlife conservation in a
9 manner adapted to the particular needs of a re-
10 spective range State;

11 (B) facilitate and guide delivery of finan-
12 cial, scientific, and other technical assistance
13 provided by other programs conducted by the
14 Service;

15 (C) develop and implement regional coordi-
16 nation mechanisms necessary to implement
17 treaties, conventions, or accords entered into by
18 the United States under authority delegated to
19 the Secretary to promote international fish or
20 wildlife conservation; and

21 (D) develop and implement a plan to ex-
22 pand existing regional programs in Mexico,
23 Latin America and Caribbean, Russian Far
24 East and Africa to other critical landscapes and
25 wildlife habitat globally such as increased pres-

1 ence in South, Central, East, and Southeast
2 Asia.

3 (3) SPECIES PROGRAM.—A species program,
4 which shall be comprised of administration of the
5 Multinational Species Conservation Funds and pro-
6 grams authorized by—

7 (A) the African Elephant Conservation Act
8 of 1988 (16 U.S.C. 4201 et seq.);

9 (B) the Asian Elephant Conservation Act
10 of 1997 (16 U.S.C. 4261 et seq.);

11 (C) the Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation
12 Act of 1994 (16 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.);

13 (D) the Great Ape Conservation Act of
14 2000 (16 U.S.C. 6301);

15 (E) the Marine Turtle Conservation Act of
16 2004 (16 U.S.C. 6601); and

17 (F) any similar authority provided to the
18 Secretary by laws enacted after the enactment
19 of this Act and implemented by the Service con-
20 cerning international fish or wildlife conserva-
21 tion.

22 (c) COORDINATION.—The Secretary shall operate the
23 Program components authorized under this section in a
24 coordinated fashion to ensure efficient and cost-effective
25 implementation.

1 (d) ADDITIONAL COMPONENTS.—The Secretary may
2 conduct under the Program other programs that are au-
3 thorized by law to be conducted by the Secretary, to ad-
4 dress new and emerging fish and wildlife needs and to ful-
5 fill the purposes of this Act as the Secretary considers ap-
6 propriate.

7 (e) ACCEPTANCE AND USE OF DONATIONS.—In ad-
8 ministering the Program, the Secretary may accept dona-
9 tions of funds, gifts, and in-kind contributions and use
10 such donations for capacity building, grants, and other on-
11 the-ground uses carried out by the Program components
12 authorized under subsection (b).

13 (f) MULTIYEAR COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.—The
14 Secretary may enter into multiyear cooperative agree-
15 ments with the heads of other Federal agencies, range
16 States, territories, other freely associated States, tribal
17 governments, local governments, academic institutions,
18 and nongovernmental organizations to carry out the activi-
19 ties authorized under paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection
20 (b) or to otherwise fulfill the purposes of this Act.

21 **SEC. 122. PUBLIC OUTREACH, EDUCATION, AND WILDLIFE**
22 **AWARENESS PROGRAM.**

23 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, through the Insti-
24 tute, shall develop and conduct a multifaceted program to

1 broadly engage the general public and target audiences to
2 increase public understanding and appreciation of—

3 (1) global wildlife resources and biodiversity;

4 (2) the threats confronting wildlife populations
5 globally; and

6 (3) activities that can be undertaken to address
7 habitat loss and fragmentation, illegal and
8 unsustainable trade in wildlife and wildlife products,
9 wildlife health, climate change, and other threats
10 identified by the Secretary.

11 (b) EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH PROGRAM.—

12 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days
13 after the date of enactment of this Act, the Sec-
14 retary shall develop and implement an educational
15 outreach program to increase public awareness of
16 United States consumers concerning the importance
17 of international wildlife conservation and the threats
18 of the illegal and unsustainable consumption and
19 trade of wildlife resources and associated wildlife
20 and wildlife-related human health risks.

21 (2) GUIDELINES.—The Secretary shall publish
22 in the Federal Register guidelines for the program.

23 (3) PROGRAM COMPONENTS.—The program
24 shall include the following:

1 (A) DEVELOPMENT OF EDUCATIONAL MA-
2 TERIALS GENERAL.—The Secretary shall pub-
3 lish and disseminate public information regard-
4 ing—

5 (i) laws governing the consumption
6 and trade of fish or wildlife or wildlife
7 products, in particular laws prohibiting the
8 trade of endangered species of wildlife and
9 wildlife products;

10 (ii) the importance of international
11 wildlife conservation; and

12 (iii) the global implications of species
13 and biodiversity loss.

14 (B) DISTRIBUTION OF EDUCATIONAL MA-
15 TERIALS.—The Secretary, through the Insti-
16 tute, shall disseminate educational materials in
17 a way that—

18 (i) targets vendors, transporters, and
19 consumers of legal and illegal wildlife prod-
20 ucts, in particular heavily trafficked ports
21 of tourist embarkation and return, live or
22 wet markets in range States where there
23 are wildlife or wildlife-related human
24 health risks, businesses and commercial
25 enterprises legally licensed to sell fish or

1 wildlife products, and businesses and com-
2 mercial enterprises potentially involved in
3 the movement of fish, wildlife, or wildlife
4 products;

5 (ii) utilizes a variety of media sources,
6 including but not limited to Internet,
7 radio, television, and print publications;
8 and

9 (iii) broadly disseminates information
10 regarding international wildlife conserva-
11 tion, with content and distribution specifi-
12 cally designed to target conservation issues
13 at the global, regional, and country-specific
14 levels.

15 (C) ELIGIBLE PARTNERS FOR EDUCATION
16 DEVELOPMENT.—The Secretary may enter into
17 agreements with Federal, State, tribal, and
18 local wildlife conservation organizations with ex-
19 pertise in international wildlife conservation
20 education to develop and disseminate education
21 programs on species conservation, natural re-
22 source adaptation to climate change, wildlife
23 trafficking, and wildlife and wildlife-related
24 human health risks in accordance with this sub-
25 section.

1 (D) MONITORING PROGRAM.—The Sec-
2 retary may support, promote, and coordinate
3 research on, and long-term monitoring of, the
4 development and distribution of educational ma-
5 terials authorized under this title. Such activi-
6 ties shall—

7 (i) study the effectiveness of the con-
8 tent of educational materials in deterring
9 the illegal and unsustainable trade of fish,
10 wildlife, and wildlife products, and in in-
11 forming traders and consumers of the laws
12 governing the trade in fish, wildlife, and
13 wildlife products, associated wildlife and
14 wildlife-related human health risks, the im-
15 plications of global species loss, and the
16 importance of international conservation;

17 (ii) study the effectiveness of distribu-
18 tion tactics designed to provide educational
19 resources to key audiences, including stra-
20 tegic placement in areas heavily trafficked
21 by tourists, consumers, and traders in fish,
22 wildlife, and their derivatives;

23 (iii) develop and test methods to en-
24 hance the global understanding of inter-
25 national fish and wildlife conservation; and

1 (iv) update educational information
2 biannually, based upon new research, con-
3 servation efforts, and regulatory changes.

4 (4) CONSULTATION AND COORDINATION.—In
5 conducting, supporting, and coordinating the edu-
6 cation programs authorized under this section, the
7 Secretary shall consult or coordinate with Federal,
8 State, interstate, tribal, regional agencies, private
9 and nongovernmental organizations, including aca-
10 demic institutions, accredited zoos and aquariums,
11 international wildlife conservation organizations, and
12 the Advisory Committee, to the extent practicable.

13 (c) INTERNATIONAL WILDLIFE CONSERVATION FEL-
14 LOWSHIPS.—

15 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall provide
16 fellowships for graduate and postgraduate level
17 United States and foreign students engaged in ad-
18 vanced degree programs concerning conservation bi-
19 ology, zoology, ecology, animal care science, natural
20 resource management, education, sociology, econom-
21 ics, and law related to fish and wildlife conservation,
22 to provide expertise and policy experience in the
23 Federal Government in the United States and in for-
24 eign countries.

1 (2) OBJECTIVES.—In awarding fellowships
2 under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall seek to
3 achieve, with respect to international wildlife con-
4 servation, the following educational and training ob-
5 jectives:

6 (A) Provide qualified graduate and post-
7 graduate level individuals opportunities for par-
8 ticipation in the policy process within the Fed-
9 eral Government.

10 (B) Provide the Federal Government with
11 specific expertise in conservation biology, zool-
12 ogy, ecology, animal care science, natural re-
13 source management, education, sociology, eco-
14 nomics, and law related to fish and wildlife con-
15 servation to aid in the effective implementation
16 of the Action Plan.

17 (C) Provide fellows with international wild-
18 life conservation experience, if appropriate.

19 (D) Encourage fellows to contribute to ca-
20 pacity building and partnerships in other na-
21 tions.

22 (3) GUIDELINES FOR AWARD OF FELLOW-
23 SHIPS.—The fellowships shall be awarded pursuant
24 to guidelines established by the Secretary in con-
25 sultation with the Council.

1 (4) TERM OF FELLOWSHIPS.—A fellowship
2 under this subsection shall be for a period of not
3 more than one year with the possibility of renewal.

4 (5) EQUAL ACCESS.—The Secretary shall strive
5 to ensure equal access for minority and economically
6 disadvantaged students to participate in the fellow-
7 ship program carried out under this subsection.

8 (6) ADMINISTRATION.—The Director, through
9 the Office of International Affairs, shall administer
10 fellowships awarded under this subsection.

11 (7) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—

12 (A) IN GENERAL.—To carry out this sub-
13 section there is authorized to be appropriated to
14 the Secretary \$2,000,000 for each of fiscal
15 years 2010 through 2014.

16 (B) USE FOR ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.—Of
17 amounts available to carry out this subsection
18 each fiscal year, no more than 5 percent may
19 be expended on administrative costs.

20 **SEC. 123. CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL WILDLIFE RECOV-**
21 **ERY PARTNERSHIPS.**

22 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary shall establish
23 within the Institute a Center for International Wildlife Re-
24 covery Partnerships. The purpose of the Center shall be
25 to—

1 (1) complement wildlife conservation activities
2 undertaken by governmental agencies outside of the
3 United States, by utilizing the professional and tech-
4 nical expertise of partner institutions;

5 (2) enhance coordination and cooperation be-
6 tween governmental agencies and nongovernmental
7 stakeholders with expertise in international wildlife
8 conservation;

9 (3) facilitate, when necessary, long-term invest-
10 ment in captive breeding, reintroduction, rehabilita-
11 tion, release, habitat protection, and research activi-
12 ties concerning wildlife species listed as threatened
13 species or endangered species under the Endangered
14 Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.) or list-
15 ed on either Appendix I or II of CITES, and species
16 listed on the Red List of the International Union for
17 the Conservation of Nature;

18 (4) provide technical assistance to support re-
19 search and the public education, outreach, and wild-
20 life awareness activities of the Institute in coordina-
21 tion with accredited zoos and aquariums, and other
22 governmental and nongovernmental organizations
23 with a proven record of providing conservation edu-
24 cation;

1 (5) assess opportunities for restoration of
2 transboundary migratory species and undertake nec-
3 essary planning accordingly; and

4 (6) fulfill the purposes of this Act.

5 (b) EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.—The Director shall ap-
6 point an Executive Director to manage the operations and
7 activities of the Center, who shall be qualified by reason
8 of scientific education and experience and knowledgeable
9 in the principles of fisheries and wildlife management. The
10 Executive Director shall be accountable to the Assistant
11 Director of the Institute and provide regular evaluations
12 of the implementation of this section and the activities
13 conducted under subsection (c).

14 (c) PROGRAM ACTIVITIES.—To fulfill the purposes of
15 this section, the Center shall conduct the following activi-
16 ties:

17 (1) INTERNATIONAL WILDLIFE RESEARCH.—
18 The Center shall develop and implement, in con-
19 sultation with the scientific community, including ac-
20 credited zoos and aquariums, an international re-
21 search program that shall focus on the areas of cap-
22 tive animal care and propagation, orphaned and in-
23 jured animal rehabilitation and release, species re-
24 introduction, and population management.

1 (2) WILDLIFE CONSERVATION AND REINTRO-
2 DUCTION.—The Center, in cooperation with Federal
3 and non-Federal wildlife management agencies and
4 local, regional, and international wildlife conserva-
5 tion organizations, shall provide animal care, tech-
6 nical, and zoological assistance to—

7 (A) identify members of endangered wild-
8 life species that are candidates for rehabilita-
9 tion and reintroduction into the wild; and

10 (B) utilize its expertise and facilities to re-
11 habilitate endangered species and reintroduce
12 those species in the wild.

13 (3) PUBLIC EDUCATION.—The Center, through
14 its partner institutions, and in coordination with ac-
15 credited zoos and aquariums, shall disseminate and
16 make available to the public information regarding
17 the importance of biological diversity, species con-
18 servation and survival strategies, the functions of
19 this Center, and other related information.

20 (4) INTERNATIONAL COORDINATION.—The Cen-
21 ter, through its partner institutions and other stake-
22 holders with expertise in international wildlife con-
23 servation, shall provide biennial assessments of the
24 role of the United States in international wildlife
25 conservation, including—

1 (A) captive breeding and rehabilitation;
2 (B) species reintroduction efforts; and
3 (C) implementation of strategies and ac-
4 tions to promote conservation of species that
5 are listed as threatened species or endangered
6 species under the Endangered Species Act of
7 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.), species listed on
8 either Appendix I or II of CITES, and species
9 listed on the Red List of the International
10 Union for Conservation of Nature, including ef-
11 forts to expand collaboration and information
12 sharing with other zoological and conservation
13 organizations internationally, to the extent
14 practicable.

15 (5) TRAINING.—The Center, to the extent prac-
16 ticable, and in coordination with partner institutions,
17 shall make its facilities, resources, and scientific ex-
18 pertise available for the training of future genera-
19 tions of zoological experts, conservation leaders, nat-
20 ural resource managers, and wildlife decisionmakers.

21 (d) AGREEMENTS.—The Executive Director of the
22 Center, subject to the approval of the Director and the
23 Assistant Director, may enter into agreements with part-
24 ner institutions to establish wildlife conservation pro-
25 grams, share zoological facilities and expertise, and coordi-

1 nate public outreach and education efforts to fulfill the
2 purposes of this section.

3 (e) EMERGENCY REHABILITATION AND RECOVERY
4 GRANTS.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to the availability of
6 appropriations, the Center may conduct a grant pro-
7 gram to provide grants to eligible partner institu-
8 tions for reimbursements of costs for the holding,
9 care, and rehabilitation of illegal fish and wildlife
10 seized by Federal or State law enforcement authori-
11 ties.

12 (2) APPLICATION.—To receive a grant under
13 this section, a partner institution shall submit an
14 application in such form and manner as the Center
15 may prescribe.

16 (3) CONSULTATION.—The Executive Director
17 shall consult with individuals who represent public
18 and private organizations that are actively involved
19 in orphaned and injured animal rehabilitation and
20 release regarding the development of criteria for the
21 implementation of the grant program and the
22 awarding of grants under the program.

23 (4) LIMITATION.—The amount of a grant
24 under this section shall not exceed \$100,000.

25 (5) MATCHING REQUIREMENT.—

1 (A) IN GENERAL.—The non-Federal share
 2 of the costs of an activity conducted with a
 3 grant under this section shall be 25 percent of
 4 such costs.

5 (B) IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS.—The Exec-
 6 utive Director may apply to the non-Federal
 7 share of an activity conducted with a grant
 8 under this section the amount of funds, and the
 9 fair market value of property and services, pro-
 10 vided by non-Federal sources and used for the
 11 activity.

12 (6) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—

13 (A) IN GENERAL.—To carry out this sub-
 14 section there is authorized to be appropriated to
 15 the Secretary \$2,000,000 for each of fiscal
 16 years 2010 through 2014.

17 (B) USE FOR ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.—Of
 18 amounts available to carry out this subsection
 19 each fiscal year, no more than 5 percent may
 20 be expended on administrative costs.

21 (f) PARTNER INSTITUTION DEFINED.—In this sec-
 22 tion, the term “partner institution” means a facility, insti-
 23 tution, or organization that—

24 (1) operates a professionally accredited zoolog-
 25 ical facility or aquarium;

1 (2) retains professional animal care personnel,
2 biologists, conservation biologists, zoologists, animal
3 care scientists, animal behavioralists, ecologists, and
4 other experts with technical knowledge of the zoolog-
5 ical and animal behavioral sciences necessary to con-
6 duct conservation activities including species propa-
7 gation and rehabilitation, captive breeding, zoolog-
8 ical research, and wildlife reintroduction;

9 (3) has under its control sufficient land hold-
10 ings to maintain captive wildlife species in a
11 freerange condition; or

12 (4) has demonstrated capabilities to conduct ef-
13 fective outreach and education programs and activi-
14 ties to increase awareness and appreciation of wild-
15 life conservation within the general public.

16 **Subtitle C—Enhancing Stakeholder** 17 **Participation**

18 **SEC. 131. GLOBAL WILDLIFE CONSERVATION ADVISORY** 19 **COMMITTEE.**

20 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Assistant Director may es-
21 tablish a Global Wildlife Conservation Advisory Committee
22 to advise and make recommendations to the Secretary re-
23 garding the creation, maintenance, and coordination of
24 international wildlife conservation programs authorized
25 under this title.

1 (b) GUIDELINES.—The Secretary shall publish in the
2 Federal Register guidelines for the Advisory Committee.

3 (c) PURPOSE.—The purpose of the Advisory Com-
4 mittee shall be to advise the Assistant Director on—

5 (1) the administration, management, and co-
6 ordination of international wildlife conservation ef-
7 forts authorized under this title;

8 (2) the effectiveness and cost efficiency of the
9 implementation of the programs authorized under
10 this title;

11 (3) future expansion of international conserva-
12 tion efforts; and

13 (4) any other purpose identified as appropriate
14 and necessary by the Assistant Director.

15 (d) MEMBERSHIP.—Members of the Advisory Com-
16 mittee shall be qualified by education, training, and expe-
17 rience and may be appointed by the Assistant Director
18 from among—

19 (1) individuals employed by Federal or State
20 agencies who have expertise in international wildlife
21 conservation; natural resources management; wildlife
22 health; international relations, public policy, soci-
23 ology, economics, and law related to fish and wildlife
24 conservation; law enforcement; or border protection;
25 and

1 (2) representatives of public and private organi-
2 zations who have expertise in the conservation of
3 wildlife internationally, global wildlife trade, wildlife
4 law enforcement, natural resource management,
5 wildlife health, wildlife education, or zoological stud-
6 ies.

7 (e) STAFFING AND ASSISTANCE.—The Secretary may
8 make available to the Advisory Committee any staff, infor-
9 mation, administrative services, or assistance the Sec-
10 retary determines is reasonably required to enable the Ad-
11 visory Committee to carry out its functions.

12 (f) PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND PROCEDURAL MAT-
13 TERS.—The Advisory Committee shall conduct its busi-
14 ness meetings in accordance with the following require-
15 ments:

16 (1) MEETINGS.—The Advisory Committee
17 shall—

18 (A) meet at least twice per year;

19 (B) conduct each meeting of the Advisory
20 Committee open to the public; and

21 (C) provide, at each meeting, an oppor-
22 tunity for interested persons to present oral or
23 written statements concerning items on the
24 agenda.

1 (2) NOTICE.—The Advisory Committee shall
2 publish timely notice of each meeting of the Advisory
3 Committee, including the time, place, and agenda of
4 the meeting, locally and in the Federal Register.

5 (3) MINUTES.—The Secretary shall keep min-
6 utes of each meeting of the Advisory Committee and
7 make such minutes available to the public.

8 (g) REPORTING.—The Advisory Committee shall re-
9 port to the Assistant Director every year with an evalua-
10 tion of the implementation of this Act and the programs
11 authorized therein.

12 (h) EXEMPTION FROM FEDERAL ADVISORY COM-
13 MITTEE ACT.—The Federal Advisory Committee Act (5
14 U.S.C. App.) shall not apply to the Advisory Committee.

15 **SEC. 132. INTERNATIONAL WILDLIFE CONSERVATION**
16 **FUND.**

17 (a) FUND.—

18 (1) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established in
19 the Treasury a separate account, which shall be
20 known as the International Wildlife Conservation
21 Fund.

22 (2) CONTENTS.—The Fund shall consist of—

23 (A) donations, gifts, and contributions re-
24 ceived by the Secretary for international wildlife
25 conservation; and

1 (B) such amounts as are appropriated to
2 the Secretary for conserving wildlife inter-
3 nationally.

4 (3) RESTRICTION ON USE OF FUNDS.—
5 Amounts in this Fund shall not be used to support
6 the Wildlife Without Borders Program or to supple-
7 ment funds made available for the Multinational
8 Species Conservation Funds.

9 (4) USE.—

10 (A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subpara-
11 graph (B) and subject to the availability of ap-
12 propriations, the Secretary may use amounts in
13 the Fund to further the purposes of this Act,
14 including—

15 (i) to provide financial, technical, and
16 other assistance to conserve fish and wild-
17 life in their range States, educate the pub-
18 lic about the importance of international
19 wildlife conservation, coordinate conserva-
20 tion efforts internationally, and otherwise
21 enhance and fulfill the purposes of this
22 Act;

23 (ii) to increase interagency coordina-
24 tion to streamline first response tactics in
25 the case of illegal fish or wildlife seizures

1 and suspected illegal activity involving fish
2 or wildlife or wildlife products, associated
3 wildlife and wildlife-related human health
4 risks and to support the Global Wildlife
5 Coordination Council as authorized by this
6 Act;

7 (iii) to support the programs, grants,
8 and projects authorized under this Act;

9 (iv) to strengthen wildlife law enforce-
10 ment capabilities in the United States and
11 build partnerships with local government
12 and foreign nations to strengthen on-the-
13 ground wildlife law enforcement capacity;

14 (v) to enhance public and consumer
15 awareness of the importance of inter-
16 national wildlife conservation;

17 (vi) to enhance nongovernmental par-
18 ticipation and coordination in furthering
19 global fish and wildlife conservation ef-
20 forts; and

21 (vii) to further the purposes of the
22 Advisory Committee.

23 (B) ADMINISTRATION.—Of amounts in the
24 Fund available for each fiscal year, the Sec-
25 retary may expend not more than 3 percent, or

1 up to \$150,000, whichever is greater, to admin-
2 ister the Fund.

3 (b) ACCEPTANCE AND USE OF DONATIONS.—The
4 Secretary may accept and use monetary donations, gifts,
5 and in-kind contributions for capacity building, grants,
6 and other on-the-ground uses to further the purposes of
7 this Act. Amounts received by the Secretary in the form
8 of monetary donations or gifts shall be transferred to the
9 Secretary of the Treasury for deposit into the Fund.

10 (c) NON-FEDERAL MATCH REQUIREMENT.—

11 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-
12 graph (2), the total amount of Federal funds ex-
13 pended for any international fish and wildlife con-
14 servation grant or project may not exceed 50 percent
15 of the total cost of such project. The non-Federal
16 share of such project costs may be provided by in-
17 kind contributions and other noncash support.

18 (2) WAIVER.—The Assistant Director may
19 waive all or part of the matching requirement under
20 paragraph (1) for a project if the Assistant Director
21 determines that no reasonable means are available
22 through which applicants can meet the matching re-
23 quirement for the project and the probable benefit of
24 such project outweighs the public interest in such
25 matching requirement.

1 (d) ADMINISTRATION.—The Secretary may enter into
2 an agreement with the National Fish and Wildlife Foun-
3 dation to promote international fish and wildlife conserva-
4 tion. The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, estab-
5 lished under the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation
6 Establishment Act (16 U.S.C. 3701 et seq.), shall receive,
7 hold, and administer funds received by the Secretary pur-
8 suant to this section. The National Fish and Wildlife
9 Foundation shall invest, reinvest, and otherwise admin-
10 ister the Fund to support partnerships between the public
11 and private sectors that further the purposes of this Act.
12 Amounts received by the National Fish and Wildlife Foun-
13 dation under this subsection may be used for matching,
14 in whole or in part, contributions (whether in money, serv-
15 ices, or property) made to the National Fish and Wildlife
16 Foundation by private persons and State and local govern-
17 ment agencies.

18 **Subtitle D—Improving Federal**
19 **Wildlife Enforcement**

20 **SEC. 141. ENHANCING LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES.**

21 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, through the Serv-
22 ice, shall implement activities to strengthen and enhance
23 the Service’s efforts, through its Office of Law Enforce-
24 ment, to strengthen Federal authorities regarding the con-
25 servation of wildlife and the interstate and international

1 trade in wildlife in furtherance of this Act and consistent
2 with the Strategic Plan.

3 (b) REVISIONS TO THE STRATEGIC PLAN.—The Sec-
4 retary, through the Service and the Office of Law Enforce-
5 ment, and no later than three years after the date of en-
6 actment of this Act, shall revise the Strategic Plan to com-
7 pliment, where applicable, the policies and initiatives of
8 this Act. The revised Strategic Plan shall include as objec-
9 tives the following elements:

10 (1) A plan to increase, both domestically and
11 abroad, cooperative law enforcement, to enhance in-
12 formation sharing, and to build greater collabora-
13 tion, where practicable, in the conduct of investiga-
14 tions.

15 (2) Action to expand outreach and education ef-
16 forts designed to increase compliance with, and
17 knowledge of, Federal and international wildlife
18 laws.

19 (3) Development and implementation of nec-
20 essary tools to participate in international wildlife
21 database systems, share and collect information with
22 other international law enforcement agencies regard-
23 ing international wildlife crimes, and develop, in col-
24 laboration with other Federal and international law
25 enforcement agencies, a consolidated wildlife crime

1 database to be maintained and utilized for inter-
2 national and domestic wildlife crimefighting activi-
3 ties.

4 (4) Strengthening and investing in the National
5 Fish and Wildlife Forensics Laboratory, and the Of-
6 fice of Law Enforcement's Intelligence Unit.

7 (5) A plan for the projected hiring and training
8 needs for law enforcement personnel as necessary to
9 fulfill the purposes of this Act.

10 (6) Estimates for a capital procurement pro-
11 gram to build or acquire new facilities and equip-
12 ment as necessary.

13 (7) Development of a wildlife cybercrime unit to
14 investigate illegal and unsustainable wildlife trade
15 and other wildlife-related crimes that occur on the
16 Internet or through other electronic means.

17 (8) A plan to develop training initiatives for ca-
18 pacity building in range States, to improve inter-
19 national law enforcement cooperation and to reduce
20 human-wildlife conflict and associated wildlife and
21 wildlife-related human health risks, both domesti-
22 cally and abroad.

23 (9) Any other activities considered necessary by
24 the Secretary to fulfill the purposes of this Act.

25 (c) REPORTING.—

1 (1) REPORTS TO SECRETARY.—The Chief of
2 Law Enforcement of the Office of Law Enforcement
3 shall report to the Secretary on a regular basis on
4 the implementation and effectiveness of the activities
5 carried out pursuant to subsection (b) to improve
6 wildlife conservation and law enforcement inter-
7 nationally.

8 (2) INCLUSION IN BIENNIAL REPORTS.—The
9 Secretary shall include a detailed discussion of the
10 activities carried out under this section as part of
11 the biennial report required under section 101(d).

12 (d) DONATIONS.—The Secretary, through the Direc-
13 tor, may accept and receive donations, gifts, and other
14 contributions in the form of tactical supplies, equipment,
15 and financial aid on a reimbursable or nonreimbursable
16 basis to carry out activities pursuant to subsection (b).

17 (e) AUTHORITY NOT EFFECTED.—Nothing in this
18 Act lessens or diminishes the authority granted to the
19 Service under subsections (a) through (d) and (k) of sec-
20 tion 3 of the Fish and Wildlife Improvement Act of 1978
21 (16 U.S.C. 742l).

TITLE II—GLOBAL WILDLIFE COORDINATION COUNCIL

SEC. 201. GLOBAL WILDLIFE COORDINATION COUNCIL.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is hereby established the Global Wildlife Coordination Council.

(b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of the Council shall be to lead, coordinate, and strengthen Federal Government actions to better assist and collaborate with other nations to preserve, protect, conserve, and manage international wildlife resources and their habitats.

(c) DUTIES.—The Council shall—

(1) coordinate, in cooperation with other nations, territories, freely associated States, commonwealths, tribal and local governments, and academic and nongovernmental partners if appropriate, Federal agency activities regarding monitoring and surveying, management, research, conservation, restoration, or recovery of global wildlife populations and their habitats;

(2) monitor and coordinate Federal agency responsibilities to fulfill the policies and United States obligations under CITES or other international obligations;

(3) assess the role of the United States regarding international trade in wildlife and wildlife prod-

1 ucts, the activities of Federal agencies to enforce
2 trade restrictions and regulations, and the effects of
3 the demand for wildlife products created by United
4 States consumers on the protection of global wildlife
5 resources and maintenance of global biodiversity;
6 and

7 (4) encourage implementation of appropriate
8 strategies and actions by Federal agencies, con-
9 sistent with existing Federal laws and regulations, to
10 promote the long-term protection, conservation,
11 management, and sustainable use of wildlife re-
12 sources worldwide.

13 (d) MEMBERSHIP.—The Council shall be comprised
14 of the following members or their representatives:

15 (1) The Secretary, who shall be the chairperson
16 of the Council.

17 (2) The Secretary of State.

18 (3) The Secretary of Commerce.

19 (4) The Secretary of Defense.

20 (5) The Secretary of the Army, acting through
21 the Corps of Engineers.

22 (6) The Secretary of Homeland Security.

23 (7) The Secretary of Agriculture.

24 (8) The Administrator of the Agency for Inter-
25 national Development.

1 (9) The Administrator of the Environmental
2 Protection Agency.

3 (10) The Secretary of the Smithsonian Institu-
4 tion.

5 (11) The Secretary of Health and Human Serv-
6 ices.

7 (12) The Chair of the White House Council of
8 Environmental Quality.

9 (e) RESPONSIBILITIES OF FEDERAL AGENCY MEM-
10 BERS.—The members of the Council shall—

11 (1) identify the actions of their agencies that
12 may affect, positively or negatively, global wildlife
13 resources and their habitats;

14 (2) utilize the programs and authorities of their
15 agencies, consistent with existing missions and au-
16 thority, to protect and enhance the conditions of
17 such resources and fulfill the purposes of this Act;
18 and

19 (3) assist in the implementation of the global
20 wildlife action strategy developed under subsection
21 (g) of this section, projects initiated or funded by
22 the Secretary pursuant to section 101, and any
23 other coordinated efforts approved by the Council.

24 (f) CHAIRPERSON.—

1 (1) DUTIES.—The chairperson of the Council
2 shall administer performance of the functions of the
3 Council and facilitate coordination and communica-
4 tion among Council members.

5 (2) WORKING GROUPS.—The chairperson may
6 establish working groups as necessary to meet the
7 purposes of this Act. The Council may request the
8 chairperson to establish such a working group.

9 (3) PARTICIPATION BY NONGOVERNMENTAL OR-
10 GANIZATIONS.—The chairperson shall invite non-
11 governmental organizations or academic institutions
12 to participate in such working groups.

13 (g) GLOBAL WILDLIFE ACTION STRATEGY.—

14 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year
15 after date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary,
16 on behalf of the Council, shall submit to the Com-
17 mittee on Natural Resources of the House of Rep-
18 resentatives and the Committee on Environment and
19 Public Works of the Senate and publish in the Fed-
20 eral Register a global wildlife action strategy devel-
21 oped by the Council and consistent with the pur-
22 poses of this Act. The Secretary, in consultation
23 with the Council, shall periodically review and revise
24 the action strategy as necessary.

1 (2) GOALS AND OBJECTIVES.—The action strat-
2 egy shall include a statement of goals and objectives
3 and an implementation plan, including a description
4 of the funds required to be obligated each year by
5 the Secretary, from amounts made available by the
6 International Wildlife Conservation Fund, to ad-
7 vance international wildlife conservation in accord-
8 ance with the action strategy. The action strategy
9 and implementation plan shall include discussion
10 of—

11 (A) existing and projected threats facing
12 global wildlife and their habitats;

13 (B) an assessment of existing international
14 wildlife conservation programs within the Fed-
15 eral Government and recommendations to im-
16 prove their effectiveness, efficiency, and collabo-
17 ration with other governmental and nongovern-
18 mental wildlife conservation activities;

19 (C) identification of priorities for a long-
20 term, sustained commitment by the United
21 States to international wildlife conservation;

22 (D) components necessary to initiate and
23 sustain capacity building for effective wildlife
24 conservation in foreign nations, including sur-
25 veys and monitoring, ecological and biological

1 research, wildlife management, and other com-
2 ponents;

3 (E) an assessment of illegal and
4 unsustainable trade in wildlife and wildlife
5 products and associated wildlife and wildlife-re-
6 lated human health risks, and steps necessary
7 to improve coordination and administration,
8 technical assistance, information sharing, and
9 screening and interdiction activities among law
10 enforcement agencies to prevent that trade;

11 (F) utilization and incorporation of prin-
12 ciples of conservation biology and landscape and
13 ecosystem-level conservation to guide long-term
14 planning to maintain biodiversity;

15 (G) identification of target audiences and
16 selection of appropriate types of media to con-
17 duct public and consumer education programs
18 regarding trade in wildlife and wildlife products;
19 and

20 (H) other factors considered essential by
21 the Secretary and the Council.

22 (3) CONSULTATION.—The Secretary and the
23 Council may consult with foreign governments, aca-

- 1 demic institutions, and nongovernmental organiza-
- 2 tions in the development of the action strategy.

