

## Closing remark

Thank you Madame Chair

First; thank you to the policewoman and policeman and to all security people. You give us all a peaceful time for our work.

Second; thank you for all rapporteurs for your translation. Your work was very stressful, without of yours we have a new Babylon.

Third; thank you to the staff from CITES, you was always friendly and helpful.

Fourth; I will inform you, I am very emotional, I am falling in love..... to Johannesburg and to the people from here. I can only say a great thank you to all for the wonderful hosting here. And let me say, the Southafrican people is the world champion with the nicest hair styling. [Southafrican Hairstyle](#) (external link)

Fifth; Also a great thank you to all from the secretariat and to the excellent work from all chairs. Thank you for the wonderful balance between the different opinions from all us. I am happy we have now a chair and not a chairman (between applause)



And at last. I wish **all** observers and all distinguish delegates for the future a good heals, so we can see us at CoP18 in Sri Lanka again. We are all the CITES family.

Thank you Madame Chair