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After Clause 4, insert the following new Clause -

"Expiry and renewal

- (1) This Act expires at the end of the period of three years beginning with the day on which it is passed unless a regulation made by statutory instrument is made under subsection (2).
- (2) The Secretary of State may by regulation, before the end of the initial three-year period and any three-year period thereafter, provide that the Act remains in force for an additional three years, subject to subsections (4) and (6).
- (3) A statutory instrument containing regulations under this section may not be made unless a draft of the instrument has been laid before and approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament.
- (4) Prior to the Secretary of State making a regulation as set out in subsection (2), the Secretary of State must request that the Joint Nature Conservation Committee (JNCC), in consultation with the Advisory Board appointed by virtue of section 4-
 - (a) review the impact of the Act against its objectives to evaluate the evidence of the Act's conservation benefits to animals listed in Annex A and B of the Principal Wildlife Trade Regulation, including in particular any information obtained from, or provided by, competent authorities in countries impacted by the Act, and
 - (b) report its findings to the Secretary of State.
- (5) "Competent authorities" in subsection (4) refers to national governments and national wildlife conservation trusts, or other bodies as the JNCC considers appropriate.
- (6) A regulation under subsection (2) may only be made if the Secretary of State finds that the review provided by the JNCC justifies the continued costs of managing and implementing the Act."

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