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A major victory was scored today in the House Interior Appropriations Committee. Introduced by Republican Congressman John Carter of Round Rock, Texas, an amendment, which would grant the same exemption the Addax, Dama Gazelle and Scimitar Horned Oryx were given September 2, 2005, was approved by the Interior Committee. There is a long road ahead to ever see this appropriations bill and amendment become law, but the first major hurdle has been crossed. The appropriations bill will now be sent to the full House either as part of an omnibus bill or a stand-alone bill for their approval. If passed in the House we must then get the Carter amendment into the Senate Interior appropriations bill. If we are successful there it will have to be passed by the Senate. If this is accomplished the Conference Committee will then iron out the differences between the House bill and the Senate bill. This Conference report is then voted on by the House and the Senate and if passed will then be sent to the President where he either signs these bills into law or vetoes them.

I know this process is extremely complicated but remember, had we not been successful today the whole "three species" issue would have dead legislatively for now. Please take the time to contact Congressman Carter's office and thank him for all he has done. It was reported by our Washington Lobbyist that Congressman Carter did a fantastic job testifying before the House Interior Appropriations Committee.

Congressman Carter's office phone number is 202-225-3864 or you can email him by going to his home page at: <http://carter.house.gov/congressman%20john%20carter>. This home page address will allow you to email your thanks directly to his office.

I want to thank each of you for your continued support of the Exotic Wildlife Association and this issue.

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