WORLD ZOOS ASKED NOT TO TAKE

## RHINO FROM NEPAL

Morges, Switzerland — The world's zoos have been asked not to purchase or accept rhinoceroses from Nepal until the species recovers from its present serious danger of extinction.

The appeal has been made by the Survival Service Commission of the International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources, which reports that the Nepalese government has been asked to see that no further captures of rhinoceros

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Nepalese government has been asked to see that no further captures of rhinoceros survives. But there are not more than 80, concentrated in the Chitawan area of southern Nepal. They have declined alarmingly in numbers because of poaching for the horn, which is wrongly considered an aphrodisiac, and especially because their habitat is being destroyed by grazing by domestic stock. The Nepalese Government has approved the formation of a National Park at Chitawan, which will include most of the remaining rhino range, and grazing will be prohibited in the park. If this is successful there is hope that the rhino population will build up again.

The largest concentration of Indian rhinoceros is in the Kaziranga national park in northeastern India, where there are over 400. The request to zoos not to collect

rhinos does not apply to those from this area.

(World Wildlife Fund)

## Zoo Safari at Fasano/Italy

A new wild animal safari park, called 'Zoo Safari' will be opened in July 1971 at Fasano, near Brindisi, Italy. This park overs 600,000 square metres. This new park has been designed by Angelo Lombardi.

## Correction:

In the news of the Louisville Zoo, Kentucky, U.S.A. we mentioned in the December 1970 number (No. 96) that this Park received Ring-tailed Lemurs; it should read Ringtail Cats. We apologise for this mistake.

(Editor)

## Exchange & Mart OF ZOO ANIMALS

Louisville Zoo 1100 Trevilian Way Louisville Kentucky 40213/U.S.A. Wanted: female Servals

Kentucky 40213/U.S.A.
Wanted: female Servals, female Ring-tailed Lemurs. Wallaroos, European Cormorants.

Tierpark Niederfischbach 5241 Niederfischbach Sieg - Deutschland Surplus: 1.0 Vervet Monkey. Wanted: 0.2 Bactrian Camel, 0.2 Mandrill.