



**CONVENTION ON
MIGRATORY
SPECIES**

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**INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS:
STANDING COMMITTEE AND SCIENTIFIC COUNCIL**

Adopted by the Conference of the Parties at its Eighth Meeting (Nairobi, 20-25 November 2005)

Noting that the Rules of Procedure of the Standing Committee include prescriptions on the representation and participation of Parties, particularly in Rule 6, Rule 9 and Rule 12;

Encouraging regional representatives to coordinate and provide the Secretariat with reports on regional activities, notably during the sessions of the Standing Committee;

Recalling Resolutions 6.7 and 7.12 adopted by the Conference of the Parties at its sixth (Cape Town, 1999) and seventh (Bonn, 2002) meetings, concerning institutional arrangements for the Scientific Council;

Noting that the Scientific Council, at its 13th meeting held in Nairobi from 16-18 November 2005, produced its implementation plan for the CMS Strategic Plan 2006-2011; and

Noting further the recommendation of the 13th meeting of the Scientific Council concerning the appointment of a new expert councillor for Asiatic fauna, as a consequence of the retirement from the Council of Dr. Noritaka Ichida, and the appointment of new expert councillors for African fauna, fish and by-catch, respectively;

*The Conference of the Parties to the
Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals*

1. *Takes note* of the list of elected Regional Representatives, as follows:

<i>Region</i>	<i>Representative</i>	<i>Alternate</i>
Europe:	- United Kingdom	- Monaco
	- Ukraine	- Hungary
Africa:	- Tanzania	- Ghana
	- Chad	- Senegal
America and Caribbean	- Peru	- Bolivia
Asia:	- Saudi Arabia	- Pakistan
Oceania:	- Australia	- New Zealand

2. *Confirms* the continued application of all of the arrangements for the Scientific Council defined by Resolution 6.7 and 7.1, unless otherwise stipulated by this resolution;

3. *Notes* with appreciation the Scientific Council Strategy Implementation Plan 2006-2011, and invites the Council to report on its implementation at the 9th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties;

4. *Strongly encourages* Parties that have not already done so to duly nominate, in accordance with Article VIII of the Convention, a representative to serve on the Scientific Council and to provide all necessary contact details to the Secretariat, and to avail themselves of the possibility to appoint an alternate Councillor to attend Council meetings in the absence of the primary Councillor and/or to bring additional national expertise to the Council's deliberations;

5. *Notes* that Article VIII of the Convention provides also for the appointment by the Conference of the Parties of suitably qualified experts;

6. *Decides* to appoint for the 2006-2008 triennium the following five experts, with a view to providing expertise in specific areas:

- (a) Dr. Colin Limpus (Australia) - marine turtles;
- (b) Mr. John O'Sullivan (United Kingdom) - birds;
- (c) Dr. William Perrin (United States) - marine mammals and large fishes;
- (d) Dr. Taej Mundkur (India) – Asiatic fauna;
- (e) Dr. Roberto Schlatter (Chile) - Neotropical fauna; and

7. *Agrees* the appointment of three additional Conference-appointed councillors for (i) African fauna, (ii) fish and (iii) by-catch, whose selection shall be confirmed by the Standing Committee at its next meeting, following the Secretariat's invitation to Parties to nominate appropriate candidates.