

Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals



RESOLUTION 7.14*

DATE, VENUE AND FUNDING OF THE EIGHTH MEETING OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

Adopted by the Conference of the Parties at its Seventh Meeting (Bonn, 18-24 September 2002)

Recalling Article VII, paragraph 3, of the Convention, which states that the Secretariat shall "convene ordinary meetings of the Conference of the Parties at intervals of not more than three years, unless the Conference decides otherwise";

Recalling also Resolution 4.4 (Nairobi, 1994), Action point 2.2, which states that meetings of the Conference of the Parties should be held at intervals of roughly $2\frac{1}{2}$ to 3 years and that Parties should be encouraged to host them in order to raise the profile of CMS in other regions; and

Recognising the benefits that may accrue to the Convention and to Parties, particularly those with developing economies, that host meetings of the Conference of the Parties in different regions of the world;

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

1. *Commends* the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany for having taken the initiative to host the Seventh Meeting of the Conference of the Parties in an exemplary manner and expresses its gratitude for having contributed significant resources to the organization of the meeting;

2. *Invites* Parties which may have an interest in hosting the Eighth Meeting to inform the Secretariat accordingly no later than 31 December 2003; and

3. *Instructs* the Standing Committee at its first meeting following the 31 December 2003 deadline to review the offers received and, subject to receipt of sufficient information, to decide upon the most suitable venue.

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^{*} The original draft of this resolution, considered by the Conference of the Parties, was numbered 7.9.