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Since the last report of the depositary (April 2011) and until this day, the Convention has entered into force for the following countries:

the Republic of Burundi 1 July 2011  
the Republic of Zimbabwe 1 June 2012

This brings the total membership of the Convention on Migratory Species (CMS) to 117 members.

Germany engages in the following initiatives to recruit new members: Recruitment efforts are primarily undertaken by the CMS Secretariat in Bonn. At the same time, the Federal Foreign Office contacts German embassies abroad which then provide assistance, for example, in matters relating to the signing and ratification of the agreement. The embassies are hence also involved in the recruitment of new members.