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## ENDORSEMENT OF ACTION PLANS FOR SELECTED APPENDIX I AND II MIGRATORY BIRDS<sup>1</sup>

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Noting Globally Threatened Birds in Europe - Action Plans, published by The Council of Europe and The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (1996), which includes all but three of the actions plans already prepared by BirdLife International and Wetlands International,

Considering that Pelecanus crispus, Anser erythropus, Branta ruficollis, Marmaronetta angustirostris, Aythya nyroca, Polysticta stelleri, Oxyura leucocephala, Aquila heliaca, Aquila clanga, Falco naumanni, Otis tarda, Numenius tenuirostris, Larus audouinii and Acrocephalus paludicola are listed in Appendix I of CMS and Phalacrocorax pygmeus, Aegypius monachus, Aquila adalberti and Crex crex are listed in Appendix II, and that for all these listed action plans are available,

Further considering that these action plans are a vital tool to improve the conservation status of these species, and are in full accordance with the aims of the Convention,

Observing that many of the species mentioned above are included in the recently concluded Agreement on the Conservation of African Eurasian Migratory Waterbirds (AEWA), which will become the principal tool for waterbird conservation in the region,

Recognizing the critical situation of *Numenius tenuirostris* and the Memorandum of Understanding on this species, developed under the aegis of CMS, which has been signed by 18 countries,

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

- 1. Encourages Parties that are Range States for the above species to support the implementation of these action plans;
- 2. Encourages the AEWA Range States which have not yet signed this important Agreement to do so, in order to ensure a more appropriate management of their shared waterbirds;
- 3. Requests the Secretariat and the Scientific Council to provide the necessary support for these activities.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Previously Recommendation 5.1.