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SYNTHESIS OF INFORMATION PROVIDED BY AEWA PARTIES AND SIGNATORIES ON PHASING OUT OF LEAD SHOT USE IN WETLANDS

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AEWA Contracting Parties (as of 01 January 2006) (53; 45%)

Africa (21; 39%): Benin, Congo, Djibouti, Egypt, Equatorial Guinea, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Kenya, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mali, Mauritius, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal, South Africa, Sudan, Tanzania, Togo, Tunisia, Uganda

Eurasia (32; 51%): Albania, Bulgaria, Croatia, Denmark, the European Union, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Israel, Jordan, Latvia, Lebanon, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Macedonia (the FYR), Moldova, Monaco, Netherlands, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Syria, Ukraine, United Kingdom, Uzbekistan

AEWA Parties that have provided reports on the phasing out of lead shot (as of 14 February 2006) (18; 37% of due reports)

Africa (4; 21% of due reports): Congo, Kenya, Mauritius, Tanzania

Eurasia (14; 47% of due reports): Croatia, Denmark, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Luxembourg, Macedonia (the FYR), Netherlands, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom

AEWA Parties that have not provided reports on the phasing out of lead shot (31; 63% of due reports)

Africa (15; 79% of due reports): Benin, Djibouti, Egypt, Equatorial Guinea, Gambia, Guinea, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mali, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal, South Africa, Sudan, Togo, Uganda

Eurasia (16; 53% of due reports): Albania, Bulgaria, Finland, France, Georgia, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Lithuania, Moldova, Monaco, Portugal, Romania, Syria, Ukraine, Uzbekistan

**AEWA Signatory States that have provided reports on the phasing out of lead shot
(as of 14 February 2006) (1)**

Eurasia (1): Belgium

**AEWA Parties as of 01 October 2005 or later that were not supposed to provide
reports on the phasing out of lead shot (4)**

Africa (2): Ghana, Tunisia

Eurasia (2): the European Union, Latvia

Introduction: MOP2 in Resolution 2.2 called upon Parties, *inter alia*, to report to each ordinary MOP on the progress they have made on phasing lead shot use in wetlands. A preliminary synthesis based on the reports provided by Contracting Parties by 30 September 2005, i.e. 15, and by Signatories, i.e. one, in total 16 reports on the issue provided either through the National Reports or through separate notification letters, was presented by the Secretariat to MOP3 in the end of October 2005. In its Resolution 3.4 MOP called upon all Contracting Parties that had not done yet so to submit reports by 31 December 2005, and the Secretariat to perform analysis of all received reports and make results available to the Parties and the Technical Committee by the end of February 2006. The Secretariat gave the opportunity to the parties to provide their reports by 14 February 2006. As a result three more Parties submitted reports.

Current final synthesis is based on 18 reports by Contracting Parties and one by a Signatory State: in total 19 reports.

This paper presents an interpretation by the Secretariat of information provided by Parties and Signatories. If any discrepancies are found, please inform the Secretariat.

Summary: Nearly half of the reporting Parties and Signatories (9; 47%; one African and eight Eurasian countries) have already fully banned the use of lead shot in wetlands (*Figure 1*). In a small number of countries (3; 16%; all Eurasian) phasing out of the use of lead shot in wetlands is still in progress (i.e. a date for introducing a ban is set or ban already introduced in part of the country's territory). Nearly a third of the Parties (6; 32%; two African and four Eurasian) have reported no action on banning lead shot so far. For one African country (5%) this is not an issue of concern since no hunting takes place in wetlands.

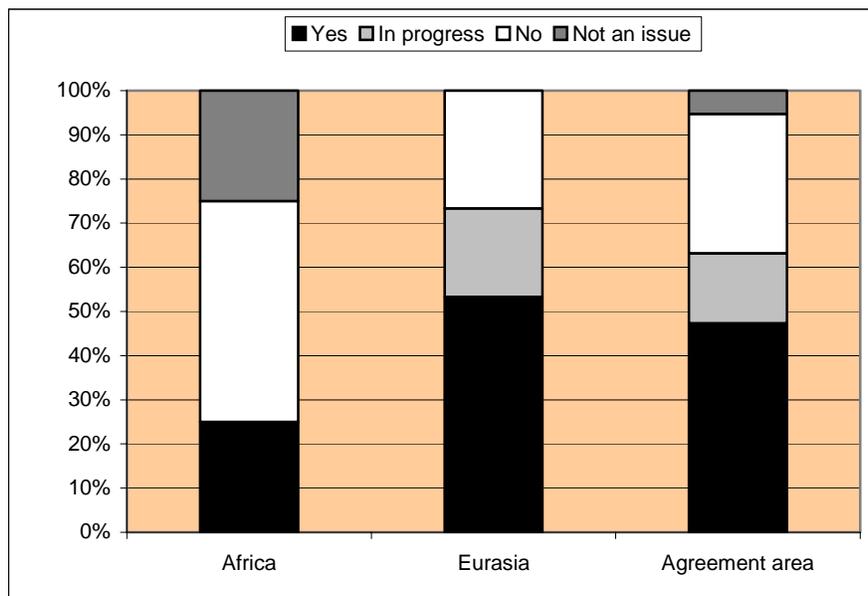


Figure 1. Proportion of countries by category reporting on the progress in phasing out of lead shot use in wetlands (n=19)

Conclusions: The group of reporting countries has made good progress in phasing out the use of lead shot in wetlands – bans either already introduced or to be declared in the foreseeable future. However, the lack of any action to date in a considerable proportion of reporting countries should be noted.

Priorities: All parties should endeavor to declare a ban on the use of lead shot in wetlands as soon as possible. They should announce self-imposed deadlines.

List of reporting countries by category:

Lead shot use in wetlands phased out

Africa: Kenya

Eurasia: Belgium, Denmark, Hungary, Netherlands, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, UK

Phasing out lead shot use in wetlands in progress (date for introducing a ban set or ban already introduced in part of country's territory)

Eurasia: Croatia, Germany, Slovakia

Lead shot use in wetlands not yet phased out (no action)

Africa: Congo, Tanzania

Eurasia: Ireland, Luxembourg, Macedonia (the FYR), Slovenia

Lead shot use in wetlands not an issue of concern (no hunting in wetlands)

Africa: Mauritius