



**7<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE AEWA STANDING COMMITTEE**  
26 – 27 November 2011, Bergen, Norway

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**RESOLUTION 5.XX**

**INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS: STANDING COMMITTEE**

*Recalling* Resolution 2.6 regarding the establishment of the Standing Committee and, in particular, the composition of its membership,

*Further recalling* the tasks given to the Standing Committee as laid down in Resolution 2.6 paragraph 1, Resolution 4.6 paragraph 3 and Resolution 4.17 paragraph 4,

*Acknowledging* the active role the Standing Committee has played in overseeing, as representatives of the Meeting of the Parties, the implementation of the Agreement and functioning of the Secretariat,

*Further acknowledging* that the Standing Committee has provided guidance and advice to the Secretariat on the implementation of the Agreement, on the preparation of meetings and any other matters.

*The Meeting of the Parties:*

1. *Approves* the list of elected or reconfirmed regional representatives for the Standing Committee, as follows:

<u>Region</u>	<u>Representative</u>	<u>Alternate</u>
Europe and Central Asia (1)		
Europe and Central Asia (2)		
Middle East and Northern Africa		
Western and Central Africa		
Eastern and Southern Africa		

2. *Re-confirms* that the Standing Committee should also include a representative of the host country for the next session of the Meeting of Parties as well as a representative of the Depositary;

3. *Agrees* that the Standing Committee will meet twice between the 5<sup>th</sup> and the 6<sup>th</sup> Sessions of the Meeting of the Parties;

4. *Re-confirms* the tasks given to the Standing Committee as laid down in Resolution 2.6 paragraph 1, Resolution 4.6 paragraph 3 and Resolution 4.17 paragraph 4;
6. *Decides* to make a provision in the Budget 2013-2015 for payment, upon request, of reasonable and justifiable travel expenses of appointed Standing Committee members from developing countries and countries with economies in transition, within the policy agreed by the Meeting of Parties; and
7. *Requests* Contracting Parties to provide financial assistance to developing countries and countries with economies in transition that are Parties to the Agreement, to be represented at meetings of the Standing Committee by an observer.