



4th SESSION OF THE MEETING OF THE PARTIES
15 – 19 September 2008, Antananarivo, Madagascar

“Flyway Conservation at Work – Review of the Past, Vision for the Future”

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**DATE, VENUE AND FUNDING OF THE FIFTH SESSION OF THE
MEETING OF THE PARTIES**

Recalling Article VI, paragraph 2 of the Agreement, which states that the Agreement Secretariat shall convene ordinary sessions of the Meeting of the Parties, in consultation with the Convention Secretariat, at intervals of not more than three years, unless the Meeting of the Parties decides otherwise;

Aware that at its tenth session of the Conference of the Parties later this year, the Ramsar Convention will consider convening ordinary sessions of its Conference of Parties at intervals of 4 years;

Appreciating the benefits that may accrue to the Agreement and to Parties, particularly those with developing economies, to host sessions of the Meeting of the Parties in different regions in the Agreement area.

The Meeting of the Parties:

1. *Decides* that the fifth session of the Meeting of the Parties shall take place before the end of 2012, ideally after the eleventh Conference of the Parties to the Ramsar Convention;
2. *Welcomes* and accepts with great appreciation the offer from XXXX (will be known later) to host the fifth session of the Meeting of the Parties to the Agreement on the Conservation of African-Eurasian Migratory Waterbirds.