



10th MEETING OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE

8- 10 July 2015, Kampala, Uganda

DRAFT RESOLUTION 6.X¹

ADOPTION OF AMENDMENTS TO THE AEWA ANNEXES

Recalling Article X of the Agreement concerning the procedures for amendments to the Agreement and its annexes,

Further recalling Resolution 4.11 which, *inter alia*, requested the Technical Committee to review taxonomic classifications of birds and suggest the most appropriate classification for the purposes of the Agreement, including application to Annex 2,

Recognising the work of the Technical Committee and the Secretariat over the past two triennia to address this request and their involvement and input into the work of the CMS Scientific Council Intersessional Working Group on Bird Taxonomy and Nomenclature from 2009 to 2011 and the Ad Hoc Meeting on Harmonization of Bird Taxonomy which was convened by the Chair of the CMS Scientific Council in Formia (Italy) on 8 October 2013,

Noting the CMS Resolution 11.19 on the Taxonomy and Nomenclature of Birds Listed on the CMS Appendices adopted by COP11 (4-9 November 2014, Quito, Ecuador),

Taking into account the recommendation of the Technical Committee, provided at its 12th meeting on 3-6 March 2015 in Bonn, Germany, on the most appropriate classification for the purposes of the Agreement,

Taking into account the findings of the sixth edition of the Report on the Conservation Status of Migratory Waterbirds in the Agreement Area (document AEWA/MOP 6.XX),

Acknowledging the proposals for amendments to Annex 2 and Annex 3 (Table 1) submitted by XX and the comments received from Contracting Parties concerning these proposals, all of which are presented in the Addendum to document AEWA/MOP 6.XX.

The Meeting of the Parties:

1. *Adopts* the reference recommended by the 12th Meeting of the Technical Committee as the AEWA standard reference for waterbird species taxonomy and nomenclature:

Handbook of the Birds of the World/BirdLife International Illustrated Checklist of the Birds of the World, Volume 1: Non-passerines, by Josep del Hoyo, Nigel J. Collar, David A. Christie, Andrew Elliot and Lincoln D.C. Fishpool (2014);

2. *Decides* to amend the list of waterbird species to which the Agreement applies in Annex 2 to the Agreement, as presented in Appendix I to this Resolution, following the adoption of the new standard reference for waterbird species taxonomy and nomenclature;

¹ The numbering of draft resolutions presented to MOP6 may change.

3. *Decides* to amend Annex 3 to the Agreement by replacing the current Table 1 of the Action Plan and the associated explanatory text with the Table and explanatory text set out in Appendix II to this Resolution;
4. *Requests* the Secretariat and the Depositary to incorporate all approved amendments into Annexes 2 and 3 to the Agreement and to update and disseminate the revised English and French language (online and hard copy) versions in a timely manner and *encourages* the Secretariat and the Depositary to have the Arabic and Russian language versions revised, according to resources available;
5. *Requests* the Technical Committee to monitor the changes in the waterbird species taxonomy and nomenclature to be reflected in the adopted AEWA standard taxonomic and nomenclature reference and advise on the updates of Annex 2 to the Agreement, when appropriate.

APPENDIX I

TO BE ADDED

APPENDIX II

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