



7th SESSION OF THE MEETING OF THE PARTIES

04-08 December 2018, Durban, South Africa

“Beyond 2020: Shaping flyway conservation for the future”

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TRIBUTE TO THE ORGANISERS

Recalling the offer of the South African Government to host the 7th Session of the Meeting of Parties, which was accepted by the Standing Committee in November 2017 with great appreciation,

Aware of the effort, in particular, financial, undertaken in the organisation of the current Session of the Meeting of the Parties by the South African Government,

Appreciating the financial support provided by the Governments of the Federal Republic of Germany, Finland, Sweden and Switzerland to facilitate the participation of as many Range States as possible,

Further appreciating the financial support provided by the Governments of the Czech Republic, Denmark, France, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, Norway, Switzerland and the United Kingdom as well as the European Commission for the substantive preparation of the current Session of the Meeting of Parties,

The Meeting of the Parties:

1. *Expresses* its gratitude to the South African Government for the arrangements and the important financial investment made to provide an excellent venue, facilities and services for the 7th Session of the Meeting of the Parties;
2. *Also expresses* its gratitude to the Durban Convention Bureau of the Province of Kwazulu-Natal for all the additional support and services offered to the Meeting and the delegates;
3. *Expresses* its appreciation to the Agreement's Secretariat for the preparation of the documents and logistics for the 7th Session of the Meeting of the Parties to the Agreement;
4. *Also expresses* its appreciation for all the support of the Governments of the Czech Republic, Denmark, France, Finland, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland and the United Kingdom as well as the European Commission, which contributed to the preparation of the 7th Meeting of the Parties, thus facilitating the participation of many Range States and the substantial preparation of the current Session of the Meeting of Parties.