

## DECISION 3.1

### REGARDING THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF AEWA

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*Concerned* about the situation regarding the position of the Executive Secretary of the AEWA,

*Noting* with great appreciation that UNEP has informed the Third Meeting of the Parties that active steps are being undertaken for the recruitment of an Executive Secretary for AEWA and that therefore this process shall be finalized as soon as possible in line with UN recruitment procedures,

*Acknowledging* with great appreciation the successes the AEWA Secretariat reached so far, as already reflected in the report of the Chair of the Standing Committee to the Third Meeting of the Parties and in Resolution 3.16, which paid tribute to the organizers of the Third Meeting of the Parties.

*The Meeting of the Parties at its third session*

*Requests* the Executive Director of UNEP to finalize recruitment of the AEWA Executive Secretary swiftly.