RESOLUTION 1.14
PHASING OUT OF LEAD SHOT IN WETLANDS

The Meeting of the Parties to the Agreement on the Conservation of African—Eurasian Migratory Waterbirds,

Recalling paragraph 4.1.4. of the text of the Action Plan to the Agreement on the Conservation of African-Eurasian Waterbirds, stating that Parties shall endeavour to phase out the use of lead shot for hunting in wetlands by the year 2000,

Recognizing that, as outlined in the initial guidelines on sustainable harvest of migratory waterbirds contained in document AEWA/MOP.1.8, lead poisoning is an unacceptable waste of the waterbird resource,

Acknowledging that many Range States currently have technical difficulties in the phasing out of lead shot,

1. Requests the Technical Committee, in the light of paragraph 4.1.4 of the text of the Action Plan to the Agreement, to review the experience of those countries that have phased out, or are endeavouring to phase out, the use of lead shot for hunting in wetlands, in consultation with hunting organizations, gun and ammunition manufacturers and traders, and accordingly bring elaborated guidance to the Meeting of the Parties at its second session.