RESOLUTION 3.4

SUBMISSION OF NATIONAL REPORTS TO MOP3 AND MOP4 AND REPORTS ON THE PHASE OUT OF LEAD SHOT IN WETLANDS

Pursuant to Article V (1.c) of the Agreement that obligates Parties to submit national reports on the implementation of the Agreement,

Recalling Resolution 1.3 that established a triennial national report format and urged all Contracting Parties to prepare and submit national reports to the Second Meeting of the Parties,

Further recalling paragraph 4.1.4 of the Action Plan to the Agreement and Resolution 2.2 that, *inter alia*, called upon Contracting Parties to enhance their efforts to phase out the use of lead shot in wetlands as soon as possible and to report to each ordinary session of the Meeting of the Parties on progress,

Noting that only nine national reports were submitted to MOP2 out of 34 that were due,

Noting that until now only 27 national reports and 17 reports on lead shot have been submitted¹ to MOP3 as detailed in Appendix 1,

Further noting that national reports are essential sources of information for the preparation of international reviews by the Secretariat pursuit to paragraph 7.4 of the Action Plan, and that the non-submission of national reports has impeded the Secretariat from fulfilling this obligation,

Emphasising the role of national reports as vital indicators in implementation of the Agreement,

Further emphasising the need to have comprehensive information on the use of lead shot in wetlands in order to reach the goal of phasing out such use.

The Meeting of the Parties:

- 1. *Urges* all Contracting Parties that have not yet done so to submit at the earliest date, but no later than 31 December 2005, national reports for the triennium 2003-2005;
- 2. *Instructs* the Secretariat to perform analysis of the reports received by 31 December 2005 and make the results available to the Parties and the Technical Committee by the end of February 2006, so that the findings can help inform their activities and decision-making;
- 3. *Further instructs* the Secretariat to analyse the difficulties encountered by certain Contracting Parties in delivering their national reports and make the results of this analysis available to the Standing Committee before MOP4;
- 4. *Urges* all Contracting Parties, in accordance with the provisions of Article V of the Agreement to submit national reports for the triennium 2006-2008 to the Secretariat one hundred and twenty days before MOP4;

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¹ As of 17 October 2005

- 5. Asks the Secretariat to advise Contracting Parties of the date for submission of their national reports for MOP4 and to issue reminders if reports for MOP4 are not received by the said date;
- 6. *Urges* all Contracting Parties that have not submitted reports on their progress made to phase out lead shot in accordance with paragraph 2 of the Resolution 2.2, to do so by 31 December 2005, and again, one hundred and twenty days before the fourth session of the Meeting of the Parties.

Appendix 1²

Country	Submitted national report	Submitted report on lead shot
Belgium ³	X	X
Bulgaria	X	
Congo	X	X
Croatia	X	X
Denmark	X	X
Djibouti ⁴	X	
European Community 5	X	X
Georgia 4	X	
Germany	X	X
Ghana ⁵	X	X
Guinea 4	X	
	(not required format)	
Hungary	X	X
Ireland	X	X
Jordan	X	
Kenya	X	X
Latvia 5	X	X
Lebanon 4	X	
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	X	
Lithuania	X	
Luxembourg	X	X
Macedonia (the FYR)	X	X
Mauritius	X	X
Moldova	X	
Monaco	X	
Morocco ³	X	
Netherlands 4	X	X
Niger 4	X	
Senegal	X	
Slovakia	X	X
Slovenia	X	X
South Africa	X	
Spain	X	X
Sweden	X X	X
Switzerland		X
Tanzania	X	X
Tunisia 5	X	X
Ukraine 4	X	
United Kingdom	X	X
Uzbekistan	X	

² Updated as of 14 February 2006 on request of MOP3
³ Signatory States
⁴ AEWA Contracting Parties that provided National Reports/Reports on lead shot after MOP3
⁵ AEWA Contracting Parties as of 1 October 2005 or later that were not required to provide National Reports/Reports on lead shot