

TITLE	Memorandum of Understanding concerning Conservation Measures for Marine Turtles of the Atlantic Coast of Africa
TYPE	Article IV (4)
LEGAL STATUS	Multilateral environmental Memorandum of Understanding
LANGUAGE	English, French
DEPOSITARY	None specified in the MoU (<i>de facto</i> CMS Secretariat)
COVERAGE	<i>Caretta caretta</i> , <i>Chelonia mydas</i> , <i>Dermochelys coriacea</i> , <i>Eretmochelys imbricata</i> , <i>Lepidochelys kempii</i> and <i>Lepidochelys olivacea</i>
RANGE STATES/REIO	26: ANGOLA, BENIN, CAMEROON, CAPE VERDE, CONGO, COTE D'IVOIRE, DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, GAMBIA, GHANA, GUINEA, GUINEA-BISSAU, LIBERIA, MAURITANIA, MOROCCO, Namibia, NIGERIA, PORTUGAL (Azores, Madeira), SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE, SENEGAL, Sierra Leone, SOUTH AFRICA, SPAIN (Canary Islands), TOGO, UNITED KINGDOM
FINAL ACT	Not applicable
SIGNATURE	Signed by 22 States: BENIN (29.05.99), CONGO (29.05.99), Equatorial Guinea (29.05.99), Gabon (29.05.99), GUINEA (29.05.99), GUINEA BISSAU (29.05.99), MAURITANIA (29.05.99), DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO (12.11.99), GAMBIA (12.11.99), GHANA (12.11.99), NIGERIA (12.11.99), TOGO (12.11.99), ANGOLA (09.05.02), MOROCCO (09.05.02), SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE (09.05.02), SENEGAL (09.05.02), Sierra Leone (09.05.02), CAMEROON (18.09.02), COTE D'IVOIRE (18.09.02), LIBERIA (24.11.05), Namibia (21.02.06), CAPE VERDE (08.01.07)
IN EFFECT	Upon signature of the Range States; open for signature indefinitely, effective for all other signatory States on the first day of the first month following the date on which they sign
ACTUALLY IN EFFECT	1 July 1999
RAT/ACP/APP/ACC	Not applicable
MEETINGS OF THE SIGNATORIES	1 st Meeting: May 2002, UNEP Headquarters, Nairobi, Kenya
SECRETARIAT	None specified in the MoU. Basic Secretariat services provided by CMS
FINANCING	None specified in the MoU
RESERVATIONS	Not applicable
OTHER	Signed by CMS Secretariat on 29.05.99. Designate a national correspondent to serve as a focal point for the Parties and the Secretariat. Provide to the Secretariat, no later than 30 September of each year, an annual report on implementation of this Memorandum in each of the respective countries. Comprehensive Conservation Plan agreed in May 2002, available from the CMS Secretariat.