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WESTERN AFRICAN TALKS ON CETACEANS AND THEIR HABITATS
Adeje, Tenerife, Spain, 16-20 October 2007

GOVERNMENT NEGOTIATION SESSION

18-20 October 2007

Hotel Jardin Tropical

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Negotiation of a CMS Instrument for the Conservation of the West African Manatee and Small Cetaceans of the Eastern Atlantic Basin



Chairman Designate: John Mshelbwala

1. Opening Remarks
2. Signing of the Memorandum of Understanding Concerning Conservation Measures for the Eastern Atlantic Populations of the Mediterranean Monk Seal
3. Weaving a Fabric of International Conservation: The Potential of CMS for Protecting and Conserving Cetacean Populations (guest speaker)
4. Adoption of the Meeting Agenda, Schedule and Objectives
5. Election of Officers
6. Establishment of Credentials Committee
7. Background to the CMS Initiative on Western African Aquatic Mammals
8. Synergies with the Abidjan Convention
9. Conservation Status of the West African Manatee and Action Plan
10. Conservation Status of Small Cetaceans of the Eastern Atlantic Basin
11. Options for an International Instrument under CMS
 - 11.1. Taxonomic Scope
 - 11.2. Geographic Coverage
 - 11.3. CMS Instruments under Article IV of the Convention
 - 11.4. Other Options for Cooperation under CMS
 - 11.5. Financial and Administrative Considerations
 - 11.6. Format of a future CMS Instrument, including Action Plans
12. Reports and Recommendations from Working Groups
13. Decision on the Scope and Process for Developing a New CMS Instrument
14. Discussion of draft Action Plan for the Conservation of Small Cetaceans of the African Eastern Atlantic Basin
 - 14.1. International Cooperation
 - 14.2. Legislation and Policy
 - 14.3. Ecosystem/Habitat Protection
 - 14.4. Threat Reduction
 - 14.5. Research and Monitoring
 - 14.6. Capacity Building
 - 14.7. Education and Public Awareness
 - 14.8. Tourism Based on Small Cetaceans
15. Adoption of Conservation and Action Plan
16. Closing of the Meeting