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REPORT OF DEPOSITORY

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Attached is the Report of the Depository. The report is presented by the Secretariat unedited in the language in which it was received (English) from the Federal Republic of Germany.



Report of the Depositary for the triennium 2012-2014

The Depositary of the Convention, the German Federal Foreign Office, has the honour to submit this report to the Parties and signatory States to the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS) of 23 June 1979.

Since the last Conference of the Parties, four more countries have acceded to the Convention. The Convention enters into force for the acceding country on the first day of the third month after the country has deposited its instrument of accession to the Convention with the Depositary. The Governments of the following countries have notified the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany as the Depositary of their accession to the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS) with effect from the following dates:

Republic of Zimbabwe, 1 June 2012

Kingdom of Swaziland, 1 January 2013

Republic of Fiji, 1 April 2013

Kyrgyz Republic, 1 May 2014.

As of 1 August 2014, the Parties to the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals number 120 (119 member States and the European Union).

Germany's activities to encourage more countries to become parties to the CMS during the triennium 2012–2014 were as follows:

In addition to the efforts by the CMS Secretariat to this end, the German Federal Foreign Office instructed German embassies to offer their respective host countries wishing to become parties support and assistance in making the necessary arrangements for accession.

Afghanistan and Brazil are currently making arrangements to become parties to the CMS.