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ARRANGEMENTS FOR HOSTING THE 11th AND 12th MEETINGS OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

Summary:

This document contains a draft Resolution which expresses gratitude to the Government of Ecuador for hosting COP11 and notes the Government of the Philippines' expression of interest in hosting COP12.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR HOSTING THE 11th AND 12th MEETINGS OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

(Prepared the UNEP/CMS Secretariat)

The draft Resolution annexed to this cover note expresses gratitude to the Government of Ecuador for hosting the 11th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties and notes the Government of the Philippines' expression of interest in hosting the 12th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

Action requested:

• The Conference of the Parties is requested to adopt the draft Resolution annexed to this cover note.

ANNEX

DRAFT RESOLUTION

ARRANGEMENTS FOR HOSTING THE 11th AND 12th MEETINGS OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

(Submitted by the UNEP/CMS Secretariat)

Acknowledging with gratitude the offer which the Government of Ecuador made to host the 11th Meeting of the Conference of Parties in Quito in November 2014 as well as the 42nd and 43rd Meetings of the Standing Committee;

Recalling Article VII, paragraph 3, of the Convention, which states that the Secretariat shall "convene ordinary meetings of the Conference of the Parties at intervals of not more than three years, unless the Conference decides otherwise";

Taking note of the Government of the Philippines' expression of interest in hosting the 12th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties; and

Further taking note of the decision of the Standing Committee, taken at its 41st Meeting, to accept the offers of both Ecuador and the Philippines to host sessions of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention;

The Conference of the Parties to the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals

- 1. Commends the Government of Ecuador for having taken the initiative to host the 11th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties and expresses its deep gratitude for the significant resources which contributed to the organization of the Meetings including those of the Standing Committee; and
- 2. *Instructs* the Secretariat to work with the Government of the Philippines to make the necessary arrangements for COP12.