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Annex 3 to Resolution 12.11

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Executive Summary

- 1. The Action Plan for the Americas Flyways 2018-2023 is aimed at supporting the implementation of the global Programme of Work on Migratory Birds and Flyways and to fulfil the strategic goals identified in the Americas Flyways Framework adopted at COP11 through Resolution 11.14. It also supports implementation of existing hemispheric instruments such as the Atlantic Flyway Shorebird Initiative, the Pacific Americas Shorebird Conservation Strategy, the Partners in Flight Landbirds Plan, etc.
- 2. The Americas Flyways Framework is intended to assist governments, non-profit organizations, research institutions, corporations and citizens in the conservation of migratory birds and their habitats in the Western Hemisphere. Recalling Resolution 11.14, the CMS open-ended Flyways Working Group and the CMS Secretariat are called upon to support the establishment of an Americas Flyways Task Force, to coordinate the development and implementation of an action plan to achieve the goals of the global Programme of Work and the Americas Flyways Framework.
- 3. The taxonomic scope of the Americas Flyways Framework and Action Plan covers all migratory birds in the Americas, including the austral migrants, with a special focus on threatened and declining species.
- 4. This Action Plan complements other flyway instruments developed by CMS including the Agreement on the Conservation of Albatrosses and Petrels (ACAP) and other legally non-binding instruments such the Memorandum of Understanding Concerning the Conservation of the Southern South American Migratory Grassland Bird Species, the Memorandum of Understanding on the Conservation of High Andean Flamingos and Their Habitats, and the Memorandum of Understanding on the Conservation of the Ruddy-headed Goose, among other CMS and non-CMS flyway-based instruments. It also complements the work of some of the CMS working groups and task forces, such as the Preventing Poisoning Working Group, Illegal Killing of Birds Task Force, Energy Task Force, etc.
- 5. This Action Plan focuses on the following thematic areas: (a) critical sites and habitat conservation, (b) reducing pressure from key threats such as illegal killing and poisoning, minimization of detrimental impacts from energy deployments and, (c) resourcing implementation.
- 6. This Action Plan also sets out in detail the needs for research, monitoring, reporting, education and awareness raising related to these threats.

Introduction

- 7. At the 11th Conference of the Parties (COP) of the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS), Resolution 11.14 on the *Programme of Work on Migratory Birds and Flyways* was adopted. This document acknowledges the mandates of Resolution 10.10 urging CMS Parties to foster trans-boundary collaboration within flyway networks and requesting CMS Parties and other Range States to support the implementation of priority actions at each flyway.
- 8. In 2014 a detailed review of current knowledge on Migratory Bird Flyways and Priorities for Management (CMS Technical Series No. 27) was prepared by the Flyways Working Group, pointing out strengths and weaknesses of flyways instruments, reviewing knowledge gaps and conservation priorities along bird flyways, and identifying policy

options for those flyways.

- 9. Parties have endorsed the Strategic Plan for Migratory Species 2015 2023 (Resolution 11.2) and the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011 2020 of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD). Implementation of priority actions in Resolution 11.14 on a global *Programme of Work on Migratory Birds and Flyways* and in this Action Plan will contribute significantly to their fulfilment.
- 10. Resolution 11.14 (Annex 2) adopted the "Americas Flyways Framework" urging Parties and signatories to CMS instruments in the Americas to work in close partnership with existing flyway organizations to implement the framework and to develop an overarching conservation Action Plan for migratory species. Simultaneously, the Flyways Working Group and the CMS Secretariat should establish an Americas Flyways Task Force to coordinate and monitor the implementation of this Action Plan to assure achievement of goals of the global POW and Americas Flyways Framework and to report to COP12 onwards.
- 11. The Americas Flyways Task Force mentioned above has been established and Terms of Reference agreed
- 12. The Review of Migratory Bird Flyways and Priorities for Management gathered information from a total of 2,274 migratory species at a global scale. According to this study, in 2010, of these migrants, 317 (14 per cent) were considered threatened or near threatened (17 Critically Endangered, 50 Endangered, 128 Vulnerable and 122 Near Threatened). Overall, the Americas account for 1,129 species of which 84 species are considered threatened. Population declines in the Americas are a critical issue for seabirds (44 species) and landbirds (34 species); however, reduction has also been reported in waterbirds, shorebirds and soaring birds from continent-wide monitoring efforts (CMS Technical Series No. 27, p. 64).
- 13. Migratory bird species in the Americas are facing similar threats identified for other flyway regions. Among the most important threats identified are: a) detrimental land use from agricultural activities including wetland degradation and loss of vegetation/forest cover; b) climate change; c) pollution; d) energy production (biofuel production, inadequately planned wind energy infrastructure, etc.); e) industrial and urban development specially along coastal areas, in grasslands and arid lands; f) illegal hunting and trapping; g) invasive non-native animals and plant species; and, h) overfishing and bycatch.
- 14. The aim of this Action Plan is to improve the conservation status of migratory birds in the Americas Flyways through international planning, coordination and implementation of priority actions.
- 15. The overall goal is to contribute towards an overarching strategic conservation framework for migratory birds and their habitats for the Americas.

Scope of the Action Plan

- 16. The geographic scope of this Action Plan is the region covering the migration systems of western hemisphere bird species, hereafter referred to as the "Action Plan of the Americas". This includes North America, Central America, the Caribbean Islands and South America. (Annex 1. List of Range States and CMS Parties and Annex 2. Map of the Action Plan of the Americas Flyways).
- 17. The migratory bird species covered in this Action Plan are classified into four categories, based on the IUCN Red List:
- A. Globally Threatened (Critically Endangered, Endangered and Vulnerable)
- B. Globally Near-threatened

- C. Least Concern but with decreasing global population trends and
- D. Least Concern with increasing, stable or unknown global population trends.
- 18. A total of 272 migratory bird species covered by CMS Appendix I/II, ACAP, and the MOUs for Southern South American Migratory Grassland Bird Species and Conservation of High Andean Flamingos and Their Habitats have been included in Annex 3 of the Action Plan.

List of Actions

- 19. The following actions are for implementation by CMS Parties, other Range States within the Americas Flyways and stakeholders such as international organizations, national NGOs, private enterprises and local communities.
- 20. These actions align neatly with the Programme of Work on Migratory Birds and Flyways and the Americas Flyways Framework Resolution 11.14 adopted at COP11.

Classification key for the actions

Timeline

- Short (S) = results expected in the short term and actions that are already ongoing (within one CMS COP intersessional period, i.e. three years)
- Medium (M) = results expected in the medium term (within two COP intersessional periods, i.e. six years)
- Long (L) = results expected in the long term (within three COP intersessional periods, i.e. three triennia or longer)

Priority

- 1 = High (an activity needed to prevent the extinction of a threatened migratory species within this Action Plan region)
- 2 = Medium (an activity needed to prevent or reverse population declines in any threatened or near threatened migratory species, or the majority of other migratory species with a declining population trend within the Action Plan region)

1. CRITICAL SITES & HABITAT CONSERVATION

- 1.1. Ensuring Migratory Bird Conservation through Flyway / Ecological Networks and Critical Sites and Habitats and Addressing Key Threats
 - 1.1.1. Landscape / habitat-based conservation
 - 1.1.1.1. Undertake a review to identify critically important landscapes that require management in the Americas flyways for key species groups of, inter alia, landbirds (*Parulidae*), birds of prey (*Accipitridae* and *Falconidae*) and waterbirds (*Anatidae*, *Scolopacidae* and *Charadriidae*). [L/2]
 - 1.1.2. Conservation of Flyway / Ecological Networks and Critical Sites
 - 1.1.2.1. Develop a critical site network tool for the Americas Flyway (as in the African-Eurasian Flyway) that identifies critical sites, and predictions of vulnerability to climate change to support site prioritization and conservation needs for migratory birds, taking into account BirdLife International's Important Bird and Biodiversity Areas. [M/1]
 - 1.1.2.2. Evaluate effective management of critical sites that address the needs for migratory birds to strengthen implementation of management plans or

- establish effective management plans where needed. [M/1]
- 1.1.2.3. Promote the formal designation of sites critical to migratory birds according to national or international frameworks, including as Ramsar Sites and World Heritage Sites. [M/1]
- 1.1.2.4. Map the western hemisphere network of sites through surveys of 50 per cent under-reported areas, and 50 tracking studies of priority species / populations with unknown staging areas / breeding / non-breeding (wintering) areas. [M/1]
- 1.1.2.5. Promote collaborative work within and between Range States, CMS and Ramsar Parties with support of stakeholders, to develop and implement management plans to strengthen conservation of migratory birds at Ramsar Sites and World Heritage Sites. [S/1]
- 1.1.2.6. Support development of existing site networks within the Americas Flyway by encouraging CMS Parties and Range States to identify critical sites as for example within WHSRN (Western Hemisphere Shorebird Reserve Network), Atlantic Flyway Shorebird Initiative, Pacific Americas Shorebird Conservation Strategy and Partners in Flight Landbirds Plan. [M/1]
- 1.1.2.7. Prepare a comprehensive review and establish conservation recommendations on current coverage and conservation status of site networks in the Americas Flyway, and identify where possible priorities for expansion of those site networks in order to deal with current and future climate change effects. [S/1]
- 1.1.2.8. Develop pilot schemes for flyway-scale Net Positive Impact including offsetting approaches for critically important sites that involve corporate and governments.

1.1.3. Species-specific conservation actions

- 1.1.3.1. Improve the conservation status of threatened species such as grassland birds Buff-breasted Sandpiper (*Calidris subruficollis*) and Marsh Seedeater (*Sporophila palustris*), and Andean Flamingo (*Phoenicoparrus andinus* and Puna Flamingo (*Phoenicoparrus jamesi*) through implementation of the CMS respective MOUs. [L/1]
- 1.1.3.2. Prepare a representative list of flagship species included in CMS Appendix I/II to elaborate single or multi-species Action Plans. [M/1]
- 1.1.3.3. Promote the evaluation of conservation status of migratory birds identified as priority species by CMS (Appendix I/II) under IUCN Red List criteria. [S/1]

1.1.4. Removing barriers to migration

- 1.1.4.1. Encourage implementation of national legislation, international conventions, and CMS guidelines on renewable energy (Resolution 11.27) and other sources of energy, to minimize impacts of energy technology deployment on migratory species and flyways. [S/1]
- 1.1.4.2. Ensure early planning of energy deployment through careful preparation of Strategic Environmental Assessments (SEAs) as well as Environmental Impact Assessments (EIAs) and research to monitor post-construction impact on migratory birds and their habitats. [S/1]
- 1.1.4.3. Develop a sensitivity mapping tool for the Americas Flyway (as in the Red Sea Rift Valley Flyway) in order to assist the strategic planning of renewable energy technology and other sources of energy at a regional scale and to identify critical sites or high-risk areas to migratory species. [S/1]
- 1.1.4.4. Considering the increasing need for alternative energy developments in the Americas, and that construction of hydroelectric dams is increasing in Latin America, particularly in the Amazon River Basin and all its tributaries in the Andean Region, ensure that planned new hydroelectric dams are subject to rigorous EIAs to mitigate impacts on migratory species and avoid critical

alterations of their habitats and ecosystem processes. [S/1]

1.1.5. Preventing risk of poisoning

- 1.1.5.1. Undertake a study to evaluate the risk to migratory birds from insecticides and rodenticides used to protect crops within the America Flyways, including particular focus on land bird breeding areas in the northern hemisphere. [M/2]
- 1.1.5.2. Review the application of legislative recommendations as indicated in the adopted Review and Guidelines to prevent the risk of poisoning of migratory birds (Resolution 11.15), Rotterdam Convention and other relevant international legislation by Parties in the Americas Flyway, to determine to what extent toxic and highly toxic products have been removed from the local market and to establish an effective pesticide regulatory framework. [S/1]

1.1.6. Preventing illegal bird killing, taking and trade

- 1.1.6.1. Review the national legislation of all countries covered by this Action Plan to ensure that each State has a minimum level of legal protection to migratory species and their habitats. [S/1]
- 1.1.6.2. Ensure adequate enforcement of the existent national and international legislation among CMS Parties and non-Parties within the Americas Flyways to prevent illegal bird killing, taking and trade through public awareness campaigns and implement actions as indicated in Resolution 11.16. [S/1]
- 1.1.6.3. Promote collaborative work within and between Range States, CMS Parties with support of stakeholders, to implement and enforce legal instruments such as CITES to effectively control international illegal trade. [S/1]
- 1.1.6.4. Strengthen national and local capacities of CMS Parties, non-parties and stakeholders to address illegal killing, taking and trade, for example, by developing and sharing protocols and regulations to be implemented by police and customs authorities at national or multinational level (to prevent illegal trade). [S/1]
- 1.1.6.5. Develop Terms of Reference, including a clear mission and goals for an assessment of illegal killing, taking and trade of migratory birds in the Americas. [S/1]
- 1.1.6.6. Develop pilot projects to be implemented in the Americas to prevent illegal killing, taking and trade of the Marsh Seedeater and the Gray-cheeked Parakeet (*Brotogeris pyrrohpterus*), among other species of songbirds and parrots, and also consider species that are a priority for CITES. [S/1]

1.1.7. Ensuring harvesting of migratory birds is sustainable

- 1.1.7.1. Revise and adapt the AEWA Guidelines on the sustainable harvesting of migratory waterbirds to be applicable in the Americas Flyway. [M/2]
- 1.1.7.2. Develop species action / management plans employing an adaptive harvest management approach when needed. [M/2]
- 1.1.7.3. Develop and implement projects on the sustainable harvest or use of migratory waterbirds, and ensure an interdisciplinary approach to livelihood needs / alternative food sources and awareness raising. [M/2]

2. FLYWAY SPECIFIC ACTIONS: Effective implementation of the Americas Flyways Framework

- 2.1. Effective implementation of the Americas Flyways Framework
 - 2.1.1. Legislation enforcement: Implementation of CMS instruments

- 2.1.1.1. Ensure implementation of the MOU and the Action Plan for Southern South American Grassland Birds and their Habitats. [M/2]
- 2.1.1.2. Ensure implementation of the MOU and the Action Plan for Andean Flamingos and their Habitats. [M/2]
- 2.1.1.3. Ensure implementation of the MOU for the Conservation of Ruddy-headed Goose. (M/2)

2.1.2. Development of new instruments

- 2.1.2.1. Review requirements and feasibility for establishment of an instrument for western hemisphere migratory birds of prey. [M/2]
- 2.1.2.2. Noting that several migratory landbirds are not covered by the MOU for South American grassland birds, consider developing an instrument to promote the conservation of tropical and austral breeding migrants in the Americas. [M/2]

2.1.3. Seabird conservation in the Americas

- 2.1.3.1. Ensure implementation of ACAP, species-specific action plans and CMS Bycatch work plan as well as national legislation and mitigation measures developed by Parties and Range States in the Americas. [M/2]
- 2.1.3.2. Develop and implement a data collection mechanism to monitor compliance of these legal and non-legal instruments. [M/2]
- 2.1.3.3. Undertake a review on the conservation status of Antarctic and Sub-Antarctic seabirds, focusing on globally threatened species that are not fully covered under ACAP, e.g. gadfly petrels, and promote transboundary cooperation to implement priority actions framed within CMS instruments. [S/1]
- 2.1.3.4. Develop a seabird programme for the Caribbean region and incorporate it into broader planning for seabird conservation. [M/2]

3. ENHANCING KNOWLEDGE TO SUPPORT FLYWAY CONSERVATION

3.1. Strengthen monitoring of migratory bird populations

3.1.1. Research & Monitoring

- 3.1.1.1. Review current bird monitoring programmes in the Americas to improve coordination, resource allocation, filling of gaps and enhance the information base available for conservation. [S/2]
- 3.1.1.2. Standardize monitoring of waterbirds and other birds in the Americas, if appropriate. [S/2]
- 3.1.1.3. Identify flagship species for pilot analysis to study migration strategies within one or more flyways in the Americas and compare migration strategies of species between flyways to understand ecological functionality of flyways. [S/2]
- 3.1.1.4. Support research on priority species to: a) diagnose the causes of population declines; b) determine ecological requirements; c) identify major drivers of declines; d) undertake socioeconomic <u>and ecological</u> studies to understand how to prevent or reduce impacts on species population declines; and, e) define management prescriptions. [S/2]

3.1.2. Capacity-building and communication

3.1.2.1. Organize regional workshops to share best practices, lessons learnt on action planning and site management and to promote flyway conservation and integrated policy solutions. [S/2]

4. AWARENESS RAISING

- 4.1. Improve public awareness and understanding of migratory birds
 - 4.1.1. Development and coordination of a Communications Strategy
 - 4.1.1.1. Develop a targeted Communication Strategy to raise awareness and encourage national and international participation to support conservation of migratory birds and their habitats, particularly at critical sites (Ramsar/WHSRN/Important Bird and Biodiversity Areas) in the Americas. [S/1]
 - 4.1.1.2. Organize a regional workshop to prepare the Communications Strategy, including assessing the current situation (SWOT analysis), and to define objectives, key communication methods and goals for the next intersessional period. [S/1]
 - 4.1.1.3. Define mechanisms to financially support the Communications Strategy (e.g. through implementation of the Strategic Plan for Migratory Species and Communication Strategy). [S/1]
 - 4.1.2. Coordination and implementation
 - 4.1.2.1. In accordance with the Communication Strategy, implement actions at regional, national and local scales, to raise awareness of migratory birds and critical habitats (e.g., mangroves, grasslands), taking advantage of international events such as the International Migratory Bird Day, World Wildlife Day and others. [M/2]
 - 4.1.3. Information to the public
 - 4.1.3.1. Enhance dissemination of existing case studies on mechanisms to enhance the conservation of migratory birds, e.g. site networks through various channels (e.g. CBD Clearing House Mechanism, Conservationevidence.com). [M/2]

5. MONITORING AND REPORTING

- 5.1. Monitoring of the Action Plan
 - 5.1.1. The Americas Flyways Task Force will facilitate implementation of the Americas Flyways Framework (AFF) and associated Action Plan, with a focus on filling gaps and enacting conservation on the ground.
- 5.2. Reporting on implementation of the global Programme of Work on Migratory Birds, Americas Flyways Framework and Action Plan, as facilitated by its Americas Task Force
- 5.2.1. Prepare a review of the implementation of this Action Plan based on national reports presented by Parties and invite reports from non-Parties and other stakeholders to COP 13.
- 5.2.2. Integrate provisions of the Action Plan in National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plans (NBSAPs).

6. RESOURCING IMPLEMENTATION

- 6.1. Ensure resources are identified to implement the actions identified in this plan
 - 6.1.1. Parties, non-Parties and key stakeholders, with support of national and

international NGOs, should allocate resources to implement the Action Plan following the timeline for each action and strengthen relationships with international donors (e.g., GEF). [S/1]

6.2. Networks and partnerships

6.2.1. Strengthen linkages and working relationships with institutions, organizations and experts to implement joint research and conservation initiatives, including through supporting efforts to build their capacities to deliver (e.g., strong working relationship with Conservation of Arctic Flora and Fauna Working Group (CAFF) to secure synergies with the Arctic Migratory Bird Initiative (AMBI) and its Action Plan). [S/1]

Action Plan Annex I. Parties and their representatives

Action Plan Annex II. Threatened and near-threatened migratory bird species of the Americas Flyway and CMS Instruments. (Excel file)

Action Plan Annex III. List of Threatened, Near Threatened and least concern migratory birds present in the Americas Flyway and CMS avian instruments in the region.

Action Plan Annex IV. Glossary of Definitions and Acronyms

Action Plan Annex I

LIST OF PARTIES TO THE CONVENTION ON CONSERVATION OF MIGRATORY SPECIES OF WILD ANIMALS IN THE AMERICAS AND MAP OF THE REGION OF THE ACTION PLAN (as at 1 February 2017)

- 1. Antigua & Barbuda
- 2. Argentina
- 3. Bolivia
- 4. Brazil
- 5. Chile
- 6. Costa Rica
- 7. Cuba

8. Ecuador9. Honduras10. Panama11. Paraguay12. Peru13. Uruguay



Action Plan Annex II

RANGE STATES AND TERRITORIES OF THE AMERICAS (IN BOLD THOSE TO WHICH THE CONVENTION APPLIES)

- 1. Anguilla (United Kingdom)
- 2. Antigua & Barbuda
- 3. Argentina
- 4. Aruba (Netherlands)
- 5. Bahamas
- 6. Barbados
- 7. Belize
- 8. Bermuda (United Kingdom)
- 9. Bolivia
- 10. Bonaire (Netherlands)
- 11. Brazil
- 12. British Virgin Islands (United Kingdom)
- 13. Canada
- 14. Cayman Islands (United Kingdom)
- 15. Chile
- 16. Clipperton Island (France)
- 17. Colombia
- 18. Costa Rica
- 19. Cuba
- 20. Curação (Netherlands)
- 21. Dominica
- 22. Dominican Republic
- 23. Ecuador
- 24. El Salvador
- 25. Falkland Islands (Malvinas)1
- 26. French Guiana (France)
- 27. Greenland (Denmark)
- 28. Grenada
- 29. Guadeloupe (France)
- 30. Guatemala

- 31. Guyana
- 32. Haití
- 33. Honduras
- 34. Jamaica
- 35. Martinique (France)
- 36. Mexico
- 37. Montserrat (United Kingdom)
- 38. Navassa Island (United States)
- 39. Nicaragua
- 40. Panama
- 41. Paraguay
- 42. Peru
- 43. Puerto Rico (United States)
- 44. Saba (Netherlands)
- 45. Saint Barthélemy (France)
- 46. Saint Kitts & Nevis
- 47. Saint Lucia
- 48. Saint Martin (France)
- 49. Saint Pierre and Miquelon (France)
- 50. Saint Vincent & the Grenadines
- 51. Sint Eustatius (Netherlands)
- 52. Sint Maarten (Netherlands)
- 53. South Georgia and South Sandwich Islands (Islas Georgias del Sur y Sandwich del Sur)
- 54. Suriname
- 55. Trinidad & Tobago
- 56. Turks and Caicos Islands (United Kingdom)
- 57. United States of America
- 58. U.S. Virgin Islands (United States)
- 59. Uruguay
- 60. Venezuela

¹ A dispute exists between the Governments of Argentina and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland concerning sovereignty over the Falkland Islands (Malvinas) and the surrounding maritime areas.

Action Plan Annex III

LIST OF THREATENED, NEAR THREATENED AND LEAST CONCERN MIGRATORY BIRDS PRESENT IN THE AMERICAS FLYWAY AND CMS AVIAN INSTRUMENTS IN THE REGION.

IUCN refers to IUCN Red List of 2017

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No.			IUC	r	Marin	Coasta	Landbird	Rapto		Tren
	Scientific Name	Common Name	N	bird	е	1	s	r	CMS	d
1	Phoebastria irrorata	Waved Albatross	CR		1				Ap II/ACAP	
2	Diomedea dabbenena	Tristan Albatross	CR		1				Ap II/ACAP	
3	Pterodroma phaeopygia	Galapagos Petrel	CR		1				Ap I/ACAP	
4	Puffinus auricularis	Townsend's Shearwater	CR		1					
5	Numenius borealis	Eskimo Curlew	CR			1			Ap I/II	
6	Vermivora bachmanii	Bachman's Warbler	CR				1			
7	Phoebastria nigripes	Black-footed Albatross	EN		1				Ap II/ACAP	
8	Diomedea sanfordi	Northern Royal Albatross	EN		1				Ap II/ACAP	
9	Phoebetria fusca	Sooty Albatross	EN		1				Ap II/ACAP	
10	Thalassarche melanophrys	Black-browed Albatross	EN		1				Ap II/ACAP	
11	Thalassarche									
	chlororhynchos	Atlantic Yellow-nosed Albatross	EN		1				Ap II/ACAP	
12	Pterodroma cahow	Bermuda Petrel	EN		1				Ap I	
13	Pterodroma hasitata	Black-capped Petrel	EN		1					
14	Pterodroma incerta	Atlantic Petrel	EN		1					
15	Nesofregetta fuliginosa	Polynesian Storm-petrel	EN		1					
16	Oceanodroma homochroa	Ashy Storm-petrel	EN		1					
17	Pelecanoides garnotii	Peruvian Diving-petrel	EN		1					
18	Podiceps gallardoi	Hooded Grebe	EN		1					
19	Grus americana	Whooping Crane	EN	1						
20	Sternula lorata	Peruvian Tern	EN		1				Ap I	
21	Anodorhynchus									
	hyacinthinus	Hyacinth Macaw	EN				1			
22	Rhynchopsitta									
	pachyrhyncha	Thick-billed Parrot	EN				1			

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No.			IUC	r	Marin	Coasta	Landbird	Rapto		Tren
	Scientific Name	Common Name	N	bird	е	1	s	r	CMS	d
23	Aratinga solstitialis	Sun Parakeet	EN				1			
24	Brotogeris pyrrhoptera	Grey-cheeked Parakeet	EN				1		Ap. I	
25	Amazona vinacea	Vinaceous Amazon	EN				1			
26	Tachycineta cyaneoviridis	Bahama Swallow	EN				1			
27	Dendroica chrysoparia	Golden-cheeked Warbler	EN				1			
28	Sporophila palustris	Marsh Seedeater	EN				1		Ap I/II/MOU	
29									Ар	
	Polysticta stelleri	Steller's Eider	VU		1				I/II/AEWA	
30	Eudyptes chrysocome	Southern Rockhopper Penguin	VU		1					
31	Eudyptes chrysolophus	Macaroni Penguin	VU		1					
32	Spheniscus humboldti	Humboldt Penguin	VU		1				Ар I	
33	Phoebastria albatrus	Short-tailed Albatross	VU		1				Ap I/ACAP	
34	Diomedea exulans	Wandering Albatross	VU		1				Ap II/ACAP	
35	Diomedea antipodensis	Antipodean Albatross	VU		1				Ap IIACAP	
36	Diomedea epomophora	Southern Royal Albatross	VU		1				Ap IIACAP	
37	Thalassarche eremita	Chatham Albatross	VU		1				Ap II/ACAP	
38	Thalassarche salvini	Salvin´s Albatross	VU		1				Ap II/ACAP	
39	Thalassarche chrysostoma	Grey-headed Albatross	VU		1				Ap II/ACAP	
40	Pterodroma externa	Juan Fernandez Petrel	VU		1					
41	Pterodroma sandwichensis	Hawaiian Petrel	VU		1				Ap I	
42	Pterodroma solandri	Providence Petrel	VU		1					
43	Pterodroma pycrofti	Pycroft's Petrel	VU		1					
44	Pterodroma longirostris	Stejneger's Petrel	VU		1					
45	Pterodroma leucoptera	Gould's Petrel	VU		1					
46	Pterodroma cookii	Cook's Petrel	VU		1					
47	Pterodroma cervicalis	White-necked Petrel	VU		1					
48	Procellaria aequinoctialis	White-chinned Petrel	VU		1				Ap II/ACAP	
49	Procellaria conspicillata	Spectacled Petrel	VU		1				Ap II/ACAP	
50	Procellaria westlandica	Westland Petrel	VU		1				Ap II/ACAP	
51	Procellaria parkinsoni	Black Petrel	VU		1				Ap II/ACAP	
52	Ardenna bulleri	Buller's Shearwater	VU		1					
53	Ardenna creatopus	Pink-footed Shearwater	VU		1				Ap I/ACAP	

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No.			IUC	r	Marin	Coasta	Landbird	Rapto		Tren
	Scientific Name	Common Name	N	bird	е	I	s	r	CMS	d
54	Phoenicoparrus andinus	Andean Flamingo	VU	1					Ap I/II/MOU	
55	Rallus antarcticus	Austral Rail	VU	1						
56	Numenius tahitiensis	Bristle-thighed Curlew	VU			1			Ap II	
57	Numenius									
	madagascariensis	Far Eastern Curlew	VU			1			Ap I/II	
58	Larus atlanticus	Olrog´s Gull	VU		1				Ap I	
59	Rissa brevirostris	Red-legged Kittiwake	VU		1					
60	Patagioenas oenops	Peruvian Pigeon	VU				1			
61	Leptotila ochraceiventris	Ochre-bellied Dove	VU				1			
62	Ara militaris	Military Macaw	VU				1			
63	Leptosittaca branickii	Golden-plumed Parakeet	VU				1			
64	Touit costaricensis	Red-fronted Parrotlet	VU				1			
65	Hapalopsittaca pyrrhops	Red-faced Parrot	VU				1			
66	Amazona pretrei	Red-spectacled Amazon	VU				1			
67	Piprites pileata	Black-capped Piprites	VU				1			
68	Procnias tricarunculatus	Three-wattled Bellbird	VU				1			
69	Procnias nudicollis	Bare-throated Bellbird	VU				1			
70	Cephalopterus glabricollis	Bare-necked Umbrellabird	VU				1			
71	Xolmis dominicanus	Black-and-white Monjita	VU				1			
72	Alectrurus tricolor	Cock-tailed Tyrant	VU				1		Ap I/II/MOU	
73	Alectrurus risora	Strange-tailed Tyrant	VU				1		Ap I/II/MOU	
74	Vireo atricapilla	Black-capped Vireo	VU				1			
75	Toxostoma bendirei	Bendire's Thrasher	VU				1			
76	Catharus bicknelli	Bicknell's Thrush	VU				1		Ap II	
77	Cinclus schulzi	Rufous-throated Dipper	VU				1		•	
78	Anthus sprageii	Sprague's Pipit	VU				1			
79	Setophaga cerulea	Cerulean Warbler	VU				1		Ap I	
80	Xanthopsar flavus	Saffron-cowled Blackbird	VÜ				1		Ap I/II	
81	Euphagus carolinus	Rusty Blackbird	VU				1		•	
82	Sturnella defilippii	Pampas meadowlark	VU				1			
83	Sporophila cinnamomea	Chestnut seedeater	VÜ				1		Ap I/II/MOU	
84	Conirostrum tamarugense	Tamarugo Conebill	VU				1		•	

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No.			IUC	r	Marin	Coasta	Landbird	Rapto		Tren
	Scientific Name	Common Name	N	bird	е	1	s	r	CMS	d
		SUBTOTAL THREATENED		3	44	3	34	0		
1	Anser canagicus	Emperor Goose	NT	1					Ap II	
2	Speculanas specularis	Spectacled Duck	NT	1					Ap II	
3	Pygoscelis papua	Gentoo Penguin	NT		1					
4	Spheniscus magellanicus	Magellanic Penguin	NT		1					
5	Gavia adamsii	Yellow-billed Loon	NT	1					Ap II/AEWA	
6	Phoebastria inmutabilis	Laysan Albatross	NT		1				Ap II/ACAP	
7	Phoebetria palpebrata	Light-mantled Albatross	NT		1				Ap II/ACAP	
8	Thalassarche bulleri	Buller's Albatross	NT		1				Ap II/ACAP	
9	Pterodroma inexpectata	Motled Petrel	NT		1					
10	Procellaria cinerea	Grey Petrel	NT		1				Ap II/ACAP	
11	Puffinus griseus	Sooty Shearwater	NT		1					
12	Puffinus ophistomelas	Black-vented Shearwater	NT		1					
13	Phoenicopterus chilensis	Chilean Flamingo	NT	1					Ap II	
14	Phoenicoparrus jamesi	Puna Flamingo	NT	1					Ap I/II/MOU	
15	Egretta rufescens	Reddish Egret	NT	1						
16	Pelecanus thagus	Peruvian Pelican	NT		1					
17	Vultur gryphus	Andean Condor	NT					1	Ap II	
18	Laterallus jamaiscensis	Black Rail	NT	1						
19	Pluvianellus socialis	Magellanic Plover	NT			1			Ap II	
20	Charadrius melodus	Piping Plover	NT			1			Ap II	
21	Charadrius montanus	Mountain Plover	NT			1			Ap II	
22	Phegornis mitchelli	Diademed Plover	NT			1			Ap II	
23	Gallinago stricklandii	Fuegian Snipe	NT			1			Ap II	
24	Limosa limosa	Black-tailed Godwit	NT			1			Ap II/AEWA	
25	Numenius arquata	Eurasian Curlew	NT			1			Ap II/AEWA	
26	Calidris subruficollis	Buff-breasted Sandpiper	NT			1			Ap II/MOU	
27	Calidris pusilla	Semipalmated Sandpiper	NT			1			Ap I/II	
28	Larus heermanni	Heermann's Gull	NT		1					
29	Pagophila eburnea	Ivory Gull	NT		1					
30	Sterna elegans	Elegant Tern	NT		1					
31	Larosterna inca	Inca Tern	NT		1					

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No.	Scientific Name	Common Name	IUC N	r bird	<i>Marin</i> e	Coasta I	Landbird s	Rapto r	CMS	Tren d
32	Aratinga erythrogenys	Red-masked Parakeet	NT				1			
33	Nannopsittaca dachileae	Amazonian Parrotlet	NT				1			
34	Alipiopsitta xanthops	Yellow-faced Amazon	NT				1			
35	Amazona tucumana	Tucuman Amazon	NT				1		Ap II	
36	Amazona dufresniana	Black-cheeked Amazon	NT				1			
37	Strix occidentalis	Spotted Owl	NT				1			
38	Eleothreptus anomalus	Sickle-winged Nightjar	NT				1			
39	Chaetura pelagica	Chimney Swift	NT				1			
40	Eriocnemis derbyi	Black-thighed Puffleg	NT				1			
41	Temnotrogon roseigaster	Hispaniolan Trogon	NT				1			
42	Pharomachrus mocino	Resplendent Quetzal	NT				1			
43	Andigena laminirostris	Plate-billed Mountain Toucan	NT				1			
44	Melanerpes erythrocephalus	Red-headed Woodpecker	NT				1			
45	Phibalura flavirostris	Swallow-tailed Cotinga	NT				1			
46	Polistictus pectoralis	Bearded Tachuri	NT				1		Ap II/MOU	
47	Pseudocolapteryx dinelliana	Dinelli's Doradito	NT				1		Ap II	
48	Contopus cooperi	Olive-sided Flycatcher	NT				1			
49	Spartonoica maluroides	Bay-capped Wren-Spinetail	NT				1			
50	Vireo belli	Bell's Vireo	NT				1			
51	Carpodacus cassini	Cassin's Finch	NT				1			
52	Vermivora chrysoptera	Golden-winged Warbler	NT				1			
53	Vermivora crissalis	Colima Warbler	NT				1			
54	Setophaga kirtlandii	Kirtland's Warbler	NT				1		Ap I	
55	Calcarius ornatus	Chestnut collared Longspur	NT				1			
56	Ammnodramus henslowii	Henslow's Sparrow	NT				1			
57	Sporophila ruficollis	Dark-throated Seedeater	NT				1		Ap I/II/MOU	
58	Sporophila hypochroma	Rufous-rumped Seedeater	NT				1		Ap I/II/MOU	
59	Passerina ciris	Painted Bunting	NT				1			
		SUBTOTAL NEAR- THREATENED		7	14	9	28	1		
1	Anas crecca	Green-winged Teal	LC	1					Ap II/AEWA	DEC
2	Anas acuta	Northern Pintail	LC	1					Ap II/AEWA	INC

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No.			IUC	r	Marin	Coasta	Landbird	Rapto		Tren
	Scientific Name	Common Name	N	bird	е	1	s	r	CMS	d
3	Anas clypeata	Northern Shoveler	LC	1					Ap II/AEWA	INC
4	Anas platyrhynchos	Mallard	LC	1					Ap II/AEWA	UNK
5	Spatula discors	Blue-winged Teal	LC	1					Ap II	DEC
6	Spatula cyanoptera	Cinnamon Teal	LC	1					Ap II	DEC
7	Mareca americana	American Wigeon	LC	1					Ap II	STA
8	Mareca strepera	Gadwall	LC	1					Ap II/AEWA	INC
9	Anser rossii	Ross's Goose	LC	1					Ap II	INC
10	Dendrocygna bicolor	Fulvous Whistling-duck	LC	1					Ap II/AEWA	DEC
11	Aythya marila	Greater Scaup	LC			1			Ap II/AEWA	DEC
12	Aythya affinis	Lesser Scaup	LC			1			Ap II	DEC
13	Branta bernicla	Brent Goose	LC	1					Ap II/AEWA	UNK
14	Branta canadensis	Canadian Goose	LC	1					Ap II	INC
15	Bucephala clangula	Common Goldeneye	LC			1			Ap II/AEWA	STA
16	Bucephala albeola	Bufflehead	LC			1			Ap II	INC
17	Ardea alba	Great Egret	LC	1						STA
18	Ardea herodias	Great Blue Heron	LC	1						INC
19	Plegadis falcinellus	Glossy Ibis	LC	1					Ap II/AEWA	DEC
20	Pandion haliaetus	Osprey	LC					1	Ap II/MOU	INC
21	Buteo platypterus	Broad-winged Hawk	LC					1	Ap II	INC
22	Buteo swainsoni	Swainson's Hawk	LC					1	Ap II	INC
23	Ictinia mississippiensis	Mississippi's Kite	LC					1	Ap II	INC
24	Falco columbarius	Merlin	LC					1	Ap II	STA
25	Falco peregrinus	Peregrine Falcon	LC					1	Ap II	STA
26	Accipiter cooperii	Cooper's Hawk	LC					1	Ap II	INC
27	Porzana carolina	Sora	LC	1						INC
28	Pluvialis squatarola	Black-bellied Plover	LC			1			Ap II/AEWA	DEC
29	Pluvialis dominica	American Golden Plover	LC			1			Ap II	UNK
30	Charadrius semipalmatus	Semipalmated Plover	LC			1			Ap II	STA
31	Charadrius vociferus	Killdeer	LC			1			Ap II	DEC
32	Charadrius nivosus	Snowy Plover	LC			1			Ap II	DEC
33	Charadrius collaris	Collared Plover	LC			1			Ap II	DEC
34	Charadrius wilsonia	Wilson's Plover	LC			1			Ap II	UNK

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No.			IUC	r	Marin	Coasta	Landbird	Rapto		Tren
	Scientific Name	Common Name	N	bird	е	1	s	r	CMS	d
35	Gallinago gallinago	Common Snipe	LC				1		Ap II/AEWA	DEC
36	Numenius phaeopus	Whimbrel	LC			1			Ap II/AEWA	DEC
37	Arenaria interpres	Ruddy Turnstone	LC			1			Ap II/AEWA	DEC
38	Calidris canutus rufa	Red Knot	NT			1			Ap I/II	DEC
39	Calidris alba	Sanderling	LC			1			Ap II/AEWA	UNK
40	Calidris alpina	Dunlin	LC			1			Ap II/AEWA	DEC
41	Calidris mauri	Western Sandpiper	LC			1			Ap II	DEC
42	Calidris bairdii	Baird's Sandpiper	LC			1			Ap II	DEC
43	Calidris melanotos	Pectoral Sandpiper	LC			1			Ap II	DEC
44	Calidris minutilla	Least Sandpiper	LC			1			Ap II	STA
45	Calidris fuscicollis	White-rumped Sandpiper	LC			1			Ap II	STA
46	Calidris pugnax	Ruff	LC			1			Ap II	DEC
47	Limosa haemastica	Hudsonian Godwit	LC			1			Ap II	STA
48	Bartramia longicauda	Upland Sandpiper	LC			1			Ap II	INC
49	Tringa flavipes	Lesser Yellowlegs	LC			1			Ap II	DEC
50	Tringa melanoleuca	Greater Yellowlegs	LC			1			Ap II	STA
51	Tringa semipalmata	Willet	LC			1			Ap II	STA
52	Tringa solitaria	Solitary Sandpiper	LC			1			Ap II	UNK
53	Tringa incana	Wandering Tattler	LC			1			Ap II	UNK
54	Actitis macularius	Spotted Sandpiper	LC			1			Ap II	STA
55	Steganopus tricolor	Wilson's Phalarope	LC		1				Ap II	DEC?
56	Phalaropus lobatus	Red-necked Phalarope	LC		1				Ap II/AEWA	DEC
57	Phalaropus fulicarius	Red Phalarope	LC		1				Ap II/AEWA	UNK
58	Limnodromus griseus	Short-billed Dowitcher	LC			1			Ap II	UNK
59	Catharacta maccormicki	South Polar Skua	LC		1					STA
60	Stercorarius pomarinus	Pomarine Jaeger	LC		1				AEWA	STA
61	Stercorarius parasiticus	Arctic Jaeger	LC		1				AEWA	STA
62	Stercorarius longicaudus	Long-tailed Jaeger	LC		1				AEWA	STA
63	Larus modestus	Gray Gull	LC		1					DEC
64	Larus atricilla	Laughing Gull	LC		1					INC
65	Larus pipixcan	Franklin's Gull	LC		1					INC
66	Gelochelidon nilotica	Gull-billed Tern	LC		1					DEC

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No.			IUC	<i>r</i>	Marin	Coasta	Landbird	Rapto	0110	Tren
07	Scientific Name	Common Name	N	bird	е	/	S	r	CMS	d
67	Hydroprogne caspia	Caspian Tern	LC		1					INC
68	Sternula antillarum	Least Tern	LC		1	1				DEC
69	Sternula superciliaris	Yellow-billed Tern	LC			1				STA
70	Chlidonias niger	Black Tern	LC		1					DEC
71	Sterna hirundo	Common Tern	LC		1					UNK
72	Sterna paradisaea	Arctic Tern	LC		1				Ap II/AEWA	DEC
73	Sterna dougallii	Roseate Tern	LC		1				Ap II/AEWA	UNK
74	Thalasseus sandvicensis	Sandwich Tern	LC			1				STA
75	Thallaseus maximus	Royal Tern	LC			1				STA
76	Rynchops niger	Black Skimmer	LC			1				DEC
77	Coccyzus americanus	Yellow-billed Cuckoo	LC				1			DEC
78	Coccyzus erythropthalmus	Black-billed Cuckoo	LC				1			DEC
79	Chordeiles minor	Common Nighthawk	LC				1			DEC
80	Megaceryle alcyon	Belted Kingfisher	LC				1			STA
81	Elaenia parvirostris	Small-billed Elaenia	LC				1			DEC
82	Empidonax virescens	Acadian Flycatcher	LC				1			STA
83	Empidonax traillii	Willow Flycatcher	LC				1			DEC
84	Empidonax alnorum	Alder Flycatcher	LC				1			STA
85	Contopus sordidulus	Western Wood Pewee	LC				1			DEC
86	Contopus virens	Eastern Wood-pewee	LC				1			DEC
87	Lessonia rufa	Austral Negrito	LC				1			STA
88	Myiodynastes luteiventris	Sulphur-bellied Flycatcher	LC				1			STA
89	Empidonomus varius	Variegated Flycatcher	LC				1			STA
90	Tyrannus albogularis	White-throated Kingbird	LC				1			STA
91	Tyrannus savana	Fork-tailed Flycatcher	LC				1			STA
92	Tyrannus tyrannus	Eastern Kingbird	LC				1			DEC
93	Tyrannus dominicensis	Gray Kingbird	LC				1			STA
94	Myiarchus swainsoni	Swainson's Flycatcher	LC	1			1			STA
95	Vireo flavoviridis	Yellow-green Vireo	LC	1		1	1			UNK
96	Vireo altiloguus	Black-whiskered Vireo	LC	1			1			UNK
97	Progne subis	Purple Martin	LC	1			1			STA
98	Progne elegans	Southern Martin	LC				1			STA

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No.	Scientific Name	Common Name	IUC N	r bird	<i>Marin</i> e	Coasta	Landbird s	Rapto r	CMS	Tren d
99	Riparia riparia	Bank Swallow	LC	bira		,	1	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Oilio	DEC
10							-			DEC
0	Hirundo rustica	Barn Swallow	LC				1			
10										INC
1	Petrochelidon pyrrhonota	Cliff Swallow	LC				1			
10										DEC
2	Catharus fuscescens	Veery	LC				1			110117
10	Catharina mainima	Cross ab a also d Thursda	1.0							UNK
3 10	Catharus minimus	Gray-cheeked Thrush	LC				1			UNK
4	Catharus ustulatus	Russet-backed Thrush	LC				1			UNK
10	Catriarus ustulatus	Nusset-backed Hildsii	LC				1			STA
5	Sporophila bouvronides	Lesson's Seedeater	LC				1			017
10										STA
6	Piranga rubra	Summer Tanager	LC				1			
10										STA
7	Piranga olivacea	Scarlet Tanager	LC				1			
10										DEC
8	Pheucticus Iudovicianus	Rose-breasted Grosbeak	LC				1			
10										DEC
9	Passerina cyanea	Indigo Bunting	LC				1			OTA
11	Spiza amaricana	Diakaiaaal	LC				4			STA
0	Spiza americana	Dickcissel	LC				1			STA
1	Seiurus aurocapilla	Ovenbird	LC				1			317
11	Colurad darocapina	CVOIDIG								STA
2	Leiothlypis peregrina	Tennessee Warbler	LC				1			0.7.
11	, , , <u>, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , </u>									INC
3	Setophaga americana	Northern Parula	LC				1			
11										DEC
4	Setophaga pensylvanica	Chestnut-sided Warbler	LC				1			
11										STA
5	Setophaga petechia	Yellow Warbler	LC				1			

No.			IUC	Wate r	Marin	Coasta	Landbird	Domás		Tren
740.	Scientific Name	Common Name	N	bird	e	Coasta 	Lanabira S	Rapto r	CMS	d
11										DEC
6	Setophaga striata	Blackpoll Warbler	LC				1			
11										DEC
7	Setophaga castanea	Bay-breasted Warbler	LC				1			INIO
11 8	Setophaga fusca	Blackburnian Warbler	LC				1			INC
11	Cotophaga radoa	Blackbarrian Warbier					•			INC
9	Setophaga magnolia	Magnolia Warbler	LC				1			
12	3									DEC
0	Setophaga ruticilla	American Redstart	LC				1			
12										DEC
1	Mniotilta varia	Black-and-White Warbler	LC				1			
12										DEC
2	Protonotaria citrea	Prothonotary Warbler	LC				1			0.7.4
12 3	Parkesia noveboracensis	Northern Waterthrush	LC				1			STA
12	T arkesia noveboracerisis	Normen wateringsi	LO				1			INC
4	Parkesia motacilla	Louisiana Waterthrush	LC				1			1110
12										DEC
5	Geothlypis formosa	Kentucky Warbler	LC				1			
12										DEC
6	Oporornis agilis	Connecticut Warbler	LC				1			
12										DEC
7	Geothlypis philadelphia	Mourning Warbler	LC				1			DEO
12 8	Cardellina canadensis	Canada Warbler	LC				1			DEC
12	Cardellina canadensis	Canada Warbier	LC				1			DEC
9	Dolichonyx oryzivorus	Bobolink	LC				1			
		SUBTOTAL LEAST								
		CONCERNED		17	17	35	53	7		
		TOTAL		27	75	47	115	8		

DEC = Declining; INC = Increasing; UNK = Unknown; STA = Stable

Action Plan Annex IV. Glossary of Definitions and Acronyms

Adapted from CMS Resolution 11.14 on a Programme of Work on Migratory Birds and Flyways

Definitions

Explanatory notes:

- 1. The Action Plan uses specific terms related to migratory species and habitat conservation for which definitions and explanatory notes are considered useful.
- 2. The definitions are drawn from existing documentation from within the CMS Family having been developed for one or more migratory bird groups. In the absence of a comprehensive and standardized set of CMS definitions, some of these definitions and guidance have been adapted from other international processes.
- 3. It is noted that a number of these terms have also been defined at a national level. As these may vary within and between national jurisdictions, their application at the global/international level needs to be agreed.
- 4. There remains a need for these terms to be defined and standardised for the CMS purposes.
- 5. The following definitions and explanatory notes are provided to explain various terms related to migratory species and habitat conservation used in the Programme of Work are not aimed at being definitive.

Biodiversity Offsets - measurable conservation outcomes of actions designed to compensate for significant residual adverse biodiversity impacts arising from project development after appropriate prevention and mitigation measures have been taken (definition as per Business and Biodiversity Offsets Programme²).

Critical habitat - Any area of the planet with high biodiversity conservation significance based on the existence of habitat of significant importance to critically endangered or endangered species, restricted range or endemic species, globally significant concentrations of migratory and/or congregatory species, highly threatened and/or unique ecosystems and key evolutionary processes (definition as per International Finance Corporation³).

Critical site - Criteria have been developed for the AEWA region from the relevant Ramsar and IBA criteria in order to address the identification of networks of Critical Sites for waterbird populations during those stages of their annual cycles when the site-based conservation approach is effective. A site has been identified as 'critical' if it fulfils at least one of the two CSN criteria: CSN criterion 1: The site is known or thought regularly or predictably to hold significant numbers of a population of a globally threatened waterbird species. CSN criterion 2: The site is known or thought regularly or predictably to hold >1 per cent of a flyway or other distinct population of a waterbird species (definition as per AEWA Wings over Wetlands project).

Note: the critical site definition developed for migratory waterbirds will need to be expanded to cover other migratory birds.

Flyway - A flyway is taken to be a geographical region within which a single migratory species, a group of migratory species, or a distinct population of a given migratory species, completes all components of its annual cycle (breeding, moulting, staging, non-breeding "wintering" etc.) (Boere & Stroud 2006⁴).

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² http://bbop.forest-trends.org/

³ International Finance Corporation (2012) Performance Standard 6 Biodiversity Conservation and Sustainable Management of Living Natural Resources:

http://www.ifc.org/wps/wcm/connect/bff0a28049a790d6b835faa8c6a8312a/PS6_English_2012.pdf?MOD=AJPERES

⁴ Boere, G.C. & Stroud, D.A. 2006. The flyway concept: what it is and what it isn't. *Waterbirds around the world*. Eds. G.C. Boere, C.A. Galbraith & D.A. Stroud. The Stationery Office, Edinburgh, UK. Pp. 40-49. (www. jncc.defra.gov.uk/PDF/pub07_waterbirds_part1_flywayconcept.pdf).

Each individual species and population migrates in a different way and uses a different suite of breeding, migration staging and non-breeding (wintering) sites. Hence a single flyway is composed of many overlapping migration systems of individual bird populations and species, each of which has different habitat preferences and migration strategies. From knowledge of these various migration systems, it is possible to group the migration routes used by birds into broad flyways, each of which is used by many species, often in a similar way, during their annual migrations. Recent research into the migrations of many wader or shorebird species, for example, indicates that the migrations of waders can broadly be grouped into eight flyways: the East Atlantic Flyway, the Mediterranean/Black Sea Flyway, the West Asia/Africa Flyway, the Central Asian Flyway, the East Asia/Australasia Flyway, and three flyways in the Americas and the Neotropics.

There are no clear separations between flyways, and the use of the term is not intended to imply major biological significance; rather it is a valuable concept for permitting the biology and conservation of birds, as well as other migratory species, to be considered in broad geographical units into which the migrations of species and populations can be more or less readily grouped (definition adapted from Ramsar Resolution XI.8. Annex 2).

Habitat - means any area in the range of a migratory species which contains suitable living conditions for that species (definition as per CMS).

Internationally important site – A site should be considered internationally important if it regularly supports 1 per cent of the individuals in a population of one species or subspecies of waterbird or if it regularly supports 20,000 or more waterbirds (definition as per the Ramsar Convention). This criterion identifies those wetlands that are of numerical importance for waterbirds through their support of internationally important numbers, either of one or more species, and often the total numbers of the waterbird species assemblage. Note: the definition has been developed for waterbirds and there is a need for it to be expanded and quantified to cover other migratory birds.

Landscape - An area of land that contains a mosaic of ecosystems, including human-dominated ecosystems⁵.

Migratory species - Migratory bird species means the entire population or any geographically separate part of the population of any bird species, a significant proportion of whose members cyclically and predictably cross one or more national jurisdictional boundaries (definition as per CMS).

Priority species - migratory bird species included under CMS Appendix I.

Protected area - is a clearly defined geographical space, recognized, dedicated and managed, through legal or other effective means, to achieve the long-term conservation of nature with associated ecosystem services and cultural values (IUCN definition 2008).

Site – A geographical area on land or in water with defined ecological, physical, administrative, or management boundaries that it is actually or potentially manageable as a single unit (e.g. a protected area or other managed conservation unit).

For this reason, large-scale conservation priority regions such as Ecoregions, Endemic Bird Areas, and Biodiversity Hotspots, which often span multiple countries, are not considered to be sites. In the context of Key Biodiversity Areas (KBA), "site" and "area" are used interchangeably.

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⁵ Hassan R, Scholes R, Ash N (eds) (2005) Millenium Ecosystem Assessment: Ecosystems and Human Wellbeing, Volume 1, Current State and Trends. Island Press, Washington.

Site Network/Ecological Network – A collection of individual sustainably managed sites operating cooperatively and synergistically, both ecologically and administratively, to achieve ecological and governance benefits for migratory birds that single protected sites cannot achieve in isolation (Modified from the CMS IOSEA guidance document; see also CMS/ScC18/Doc.10.3.1 for further information).

Acronyms and Abbreviations

ACAP Agreement for the Conservation of Albatrosses and Petrels

AEWA African Eurasian Migratory Waterbird Agreement

AFF Americas Flyways Framework
AMBI Arctic Migratory Bird Initiative

BLI BirdLife International

CAFF Conservation of Arctic Flora and Fauna
CBD Convention on Biological Diversity

CCAMLR Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources

CHM Clearing House Mechanism

CIC International Council for Game & Wildlife Conservation

EAAFP East Asian - Australasian Flyway Partnership

FWG CMS Flyways Working Group
GEF Global Environment Facility
GFN Global Flyways Network
ICF International Crane Foundation

IOSEA CMS Indian Ocean and South-East Asia Marine Turtle Memorandum of

Understanding

IPBES Intergovernmental Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services

IRENA International Renewable Energy Agency

IUCN SSC World Conservation Union Species Survival Commission

IWSG International Wader Study Group

KBA Key Biodiversity Areas

MEA Multilateral Environmental Agreement

NBSAP National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan

NGO Non-Government Organization

POW Programme of Work on Migratory Birds and Flyways

POWPA Programme of Work on Protected Areas of the Convention on Biological

Diversity

RFMO Regional Fisheries Management Organization

SSAP Single Species Action Plan

SPMS Strategic Plan for Migratory Species 2015-2023

TNC The Nature Conservancy

UNEP United Nations Environment Programme/UN Environment

WCS Wildlife Conservation Society
WHC World Heritage Convention

WHS World Heritage Site

WHMSI Western Hemisphere Migratory Species Initiative WHSRN Western Hemisphere Shorebird Reserve Network

WI Wetlands International
WMBD World Migratory Bird Day
WWF World Wide Fund for Nature