##  ADDENDUM 1

**In-Session Version**

## SCIENTIFIC COUNCIL COMMENTS

## (arising from ScC-SC2)

**PROPOSAL FOR INCLUSION OF THE STEPPE EAGLE (*Aquila nipalensis*) ON APPENDIX I OF THE CONVENTION**

## UNEP/CMS/COP12/DOC.25.1.13 (a) and (b)

**GENERAL COMMENTS ON THE DOCUMENT**

* The Chair of the Avian Working Group noted that two similar, but separate, species listing proposals relating to the Steppe Eagle had been submitted independently by two CMS Parties – Mongolia and Saudi Arabia. Both documents were reviewed simultaneously by the Working Group.
* Both proposals were recognized as very similar in content. They were considered to be comprehensive and convincingly presented the case for the species to be listed on CMS Appendix 1.
* It was noted that the Steppe Eagle is already covered by the Memorandum of Understanding on the Conservation of the Migratory Birds of Prey in Africa and Eurasia (Raptors MOU).

**COMMENTS ON SPECIFIC SECTIONS/ INCLUDING PROPOSALS FOR TEXT REVISION**

* No amendments proposed.

**RECOMMENDATIONS TO COP12**

* The Avian Working Group unanimously supported the proposals to list the Steppe Eagle on CMS Appendix 1.