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REPORT OF THE DEPOSITARY

(Prepared by the Federal Republic of Germany)

Summary:

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

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Since the last Report of the Depositary, published at the 53rd Meeting of the Standing Committee in October 2022, no further countries have acceded to the Convention.

As of 2 January 2024, the Parties to the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals number 133 (132 member States and the European Union).

Since the last Report of the Depositary in October 2022, the Federal Republic of Germany, in its capacity as Depositary, has not received any notifications from Parties regarding objections, reservations or withdrawals.

Regarding COP 13 Resolution 13.8, which instructs the Secretariat and the Depositary Government to remind affected Parties explicitly of reservations that will be rendered invalid, the Depositary states that it is not aware of any such reservations.

The Federal Republic of Germany engages in the following initiatives to recruit new members: The Federal Republic of Germany supports the recruitment efforts undertaken by the CMS Secretariat in Bonn. In addition, the Federal Foreign Office contacts German missions abroad, which then provide assistance in matters relating, for example, to accession to the Convention.

The missions are hence also involved in the recruitment of new members. The CMS Secretariat and the Federal Republic of Germany are currently approaching a number of countries to discuss possible accession.