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FIRST MEETING OF THE SIGNATORIES TO THE
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING CONCERNING
CONSERVATION AND RESTORATION OF THE
BUKHARA DEER (*Cervus elaphus bactrianus*)
20 November 2011, Bergen, Norway
Agenda Item 7.1

FORMAT FOR REPORTING ON IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MOU

(Prepared by the Secretariat)

1. Paragraph 5 of the MoU requests Signatories “to provide to the UNEP/CMS Secretariat, at least annually after the signing of this Memorandum of Understanding, a detailed report on the implementation of this MoU in each of the respective countries”. The MoU does not further specify the required format of these reports.
2. The Signatory States have therefore been asked to provide their national reports for the First Meeting of the Signatories to the MoU without using a standard reporting format. As at 5 November 2011, Kazakhstan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan have submitted their national reports.
3. The MoU reporting process is central to developing a solid knowledge base on Bukhara Deer and to ensure an accurate picture of what is happening on behalf of the species. Using standardized reporting formats would help to harmonize the quality and quantity of the information provided. It would also help to make reports from the Signatories more consistent and informative, while also making the information provided amenable to synthesis and analysis for the Overview Report of the Secretariat.
4. To this end, the CMS Secretariat has developed a comprehensive draft national report format (UNEP/CMS/BKD1/Doc.10) aimed at measuring implementation of the Action Plan. The various action points have been grouped together by theme, and questions have been developed accordingly. If endorsed by the Signatories, it would be used as the basis for future reporting under the MoU.
5. In light of the short amount of time available, a comprehensive review of the proposed report format cannot be undertaken during the meeting itself. The Secretariat, therefore, proposes that the Signatories discuss how future reporting under the MoU should be organized as well as decide on the necessary follow-up actions to finalize the format.

Action requested:

The First Meeting of the Signatories is invited to:

- a. Consider the draft national report format and provide initial feedback on its usefulness, accuracy and completeness; and
- b. Suggest any revisions in anticipation of its endorsement at the Meeting, or, if a comprehensive revision is needed, agree on the schedule of follow-up activities after the meeting.