

Resolution 1.3

LOCATION OF THE SECRETARIAT

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

Recalling Decision 12/14, section IV, adopted by the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme at its twelfth session in 1984,

Taking into account that article IX, paragraph 2, of the Convention states that the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme shall provide a secretariat,

Acknowledging with appreciation the support given by the Depositary Government with regard to the establishment of the provisional secretariat,

Recognizing that proximity to the Depositary Government facilitates the work of the secretariat and improves its operational efficiency,

Welcoming the offer of the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany to provide continuing support to the secretariat established in Bonn,

1. Invites the Executive Director of UNEP to negotiate with the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany all questions concerning the location of the secretariat; and
2. Decides to review the arrangements concerning the location of the secretariat at the next ordinary meeting of the Conference of the Parties, taking into account further developments with regard to other relevant conventions such as the Ramsar Convention on Wetlands of International Importance, especially as Waterfowl Habitat.