ADDENDUM 1
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#### SCIENTIFIC COUNCIL COMMENTS

(arising from ScC-SC4)

# PROPOSAL FOR A CONCERTED ACTION FOR THE SOUTH ASIAN RIVER DOLPHIN (*Platanista gangetica*) ALREADY LISTED ON APPENDIX I AND ii OF THE CONVENTION\* UNEP/CMS/COP13/Doc.28.2.6

ScC-SC4 Agenda Item 12.2.6

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS TO COP13**

- Recommended for adoption, with scope revised to cover Ganges River Dolphin (*Platanista gangetica gangetica*) only.

### **GENERAL COMMENTS ON THE DOCUMENT**

- The South Asian River Dolphin (*Platanista gangetica*) includes two sub-species, the Ganges River Dolphin (*Platanista gangetica gangetica*) and the Indus River Dolphin (*Platanista gangetica minor*). Only *Platanista gangetica gangetica* is currently listed on CMS Appendices I and II. Concerted Actions should address taxa that are listed, or proposed to be listed, on the CMS appendices, as per Resolution 12.28. Since *Platanista gangetica minor* is not a migratory species, no listing proposal has been submitted to COP13, and therefore the scope of the Concerted Action should be amended to cover only *Platanista gangetica gangetica*.
- It is noted, however, that activities listed in this proposal would benefit both *Platanista gangetica gangetica* and *Platanista gangetica minor*.

## COMMENTS ON SPECIFIC SECTIONS/ INCLUDING POSSIBLE PROPOSALS FOR TEXT REVISION

- All references to South Asian River Dolphin (*Platanista gangetica*) should be amended to Ganges River Dolphin (*Platanista gangetica gangetica*).

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