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Agenda Item 31.2

**PROGRESS IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF CONCERTED ACTIONS**

*(Prepared by the Secretariat)*

Summary:

In line with Resolution 12.28 (Rev.COP14), this document summarizes the status of reporting on the implementation of ongoing Concerted Actions, as contained in documents UNEP/CMS/COP15/Doc.31.2.1 to UNEP/CMS/COP15/Doc.31.2.11.

## PROGRESS IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF CONCERTED ACTIONS

### Background

1. The Conference of the Parties, through [Resolution 12.28 \(Rev.COP14\)](#), decided to review, at each meeting, progress in implementing Concerted Actions, in accordance with the *Guidelines to the Implementation of the Concerted Actions Process* contained in Annex 1 to the Resolution.
2. Resolution 12.28 (Rev. COP14), in Annex 1, Step 6, paragraph 1, determines that “proponents of an accepted Concerted Action will, through the submission of a progress report by the deadline for COP documents with a scientific component, indicate whether the Concerted Action is proposed for continuation in the subsequent intersessional period, be considered complete or be closed for other specified reasons.”

### Activities to implement the provisions of Resolution 12.28 (Rev.COP14) and review progress in the implementation of Concerted Actions by COP15

3. The Secretariat approached the proponents of all ongoing Concerted Actions, inviting them to compile a report on the implementation of the Concerted Action under their responsibility, using the [template](#) provided. The reports received are made available as separate documents (UNEP/CMS/COP15/Doc.31.2.1 to Doc.31.2.11).
4. In addition to providing information on progress in the implementation of the Concerted Action, proponents recommended further steps. In some cases, the reports are accompanied by new proposals for continuation of the Concerted Actions. The Annex to this document presents a summary of the status of ongoing Concerted Actions after COP14, including information on the proposed way forward:
  - the Concerted Action is to be considered completed if the foreseen actions have been carried out, and the proponents have not presented a new proposal for the Concerted Action to continue;
  - continuation of Concerted Actions will be considered under agenda item 31.3 if a report on implementation accompanied by a new proposal for continuation of the Concerted Action have been provided by the deadline for COP documents with a scientific component;
  - the Concerted Action is proposed to be closed if a report on implementation and a new proposal for continuation of the Concerted Action have not been submitted.
5. The 8<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Sessional Committee of the Scientific Council (ScC-SC8, December 2025) is expected to evaluate progress and make recommendations concerning the continuation of Concerted Actions still to be completed.

Recommended actions

6. The Conference of the Parties is recommended to:
- a) review progress in the implementation of Concerted Actions as reported in documents UNEP/CMS/COP15/Doc.31.2.1 to UNEP/CMS/COP15/Doc.31.2.11, taking into consideration any recommendations by the Scientific Council;
  - b) note that the following Concerted Actions are to be considered completed:
    - i. Concerted Action 14.3 for the Pallas's Cat (*Felis manul*)
    - ii. Concerted Action 13.9 for the common guitarfish (*Rhinobatos rhinobatos*) and the bottlenose wedgefish (*Rhynobatus australiae*)
    - iii. Concerted Action 12.4 for the Humpback Whales (*Megaptera novaeangliae*) of the Arabian Sea
  - c) note that the following Concerted Action is to be considered closed:
    - iv. Concerted Action 12.8 for the Great Bustard in Asia.

ANNEX

Concerted Actions approved at COP14				
Concerted Action Number / COP15 Agenda Item	Title	Report received	New proposal for continuation of CA received	Next steps
COP14				
Concerted Action 14.1 / 31.2.1	<a href="#">Concerted Action for Chimpanzee (<i>Pan troglodytes</i>) Behavioural Diversity and Cultures</a>	Yes	Yes	Proposed for continuation, see Agenda Item 31.3
Concerted Action 14.2 / 31.2.2	<a href="#">Concerted Action for the Straw-Colored Fruit Bat (<i>Eidolon helvum</i>)</a>	Yes	Yes	Proposed for continuation, see Agenda Item 31.3
Concerted Action 14.3 / 31.2.3	<a href="#">Concerted Action for the Pallas's Cat (<i>Felis manul</i>)</a>	Yes	No	Completed
Concerted Action 14.4 / 31.2.4	<a href="#">Concerted Action for the Eurasian Lynx (<i>Lynx lynx</i>)</a>	Yes	Yes	Proposed for continuation, see Agenda Item 31.3
Concerted Action 14.5 / 31.2.8	<a href="#">Concerted Action for the Franciscana Dolphin (<i>Pontoporia blainvillei</i>)</a>	Yes	Yes	Proposed for continuation, see Agenda Item 31.3
Concerted Action 14.6 / 31.2.10	<a href="#">Concerted Action for the Blue Shark (<i>Prionace glauca</i>)</a>	Yes	Yes	Proposed for continuation, see Agenda Item 31.3
COP13				
Concerted Action 13.3 (Rev.COP14) / 31.2.5	<a href="#">Concerted Action for the Giraffe</a>	Yes	Yes	Proposed for continuation, see Agenda Item 31.3
Concerted Action 13.9 (Rev.COP14) / 31.2.11	<a href="#">Concerted Action for the common guitarfish (<i>Rhinobatos rhinobatos</i>) and the bottlenose wedgefish (<i>Rhynobatus australiae</i>)</a>	Yes	No	Completed
Concerted Action 13.12 (Rev.COP14) /	<a href="#">Concerted Action for the Antipodean Albatross</a>	Yes	Yes	Proposed for continuation, see

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31.2.9				Agenda Item 31.3
<b>COP12</b>				
Concerted Action 12.2 (Rev.COP14) / 31.2.7	<a href="#">Concerted Action for Sperm Whales (<i>Physeter macrocephalus</i>) of the Eastern Tropical Pacific</a>	Yes	Yes	Proposed for continuation, see Agenda Item 31.3
Concerted Action 12.4 (Rev.COP14) / 31.2.6	<a href="#">Concerted Action for the Humpback Whales (<i>Megaptera novaeangliae</i>) of the Arabian Sea</a>	Yes	No	Completed
Concerted Action 12.8 (Rev.COP14)	<a href="#">Concerted Action for the Great Bustard in Asia</a>	No	No	To be closed