

**SCIENTIFIC COUNCIL COMMENTS**

(arising from ScC-SC8)

**CENTRAL ASIAN MAMMALS INITIATIVE**  
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**GENERAL COMMENTS ON THE DOCUMENT**

The Sessional Committee welcomed the document. It recommended that CMS Secretariat engages in discussions with Parties taking place under the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) and the UNCCD Secretariat in the run up to and at its seventeenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties taking place in Mongolia in 2026, because Mongolia is an important CAMI Range State and issues discussed there affect the conservation of many CAMI species. It was noted that in operational paragraph 3 of Resolution 11.24 (Rev.COP13) the striped hyena might be included, if it is listed by CMS COP15.