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ASSESSING THE CONTRIBUTION OF CMS IN ACHIEVING THE 2010 BIODIVERSITY TARGET

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Recognizing the relationship between, and emphasis given to contributing migratory species indicators of success in achieving the 2010 target, while measuring the Convention's overall effectiveness in achieving the objectives expressed in the Strategic Plan 2006-2011;

Further recognizing the need to develop supporting outcome-oriented targets and indicators under the new Strategic Plan;

Acknowledging that the CMS Strategic Plan 2006-2011, together with future associated implementation plans for the various CMS bodies, represents the Convention's planned contribution to achieving the 2010 target, and that the Strategic Plan will be the primary framework through which the Convention will contribute to achieving the target; and

Stressing the important link between the CMS budget, the implementation of the Strategic Plan and the achievement of the 2010 target;

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

- 1. Requests the CMS Secretariat to continue to liaise with the CBD Secretariat and the other biodiversity-related conventions and relevant institutions with a view to adopting suitable indictors to measure the achievement of the 2010 target;
- 2. Requests the CMS Secretariat in collaboration with the Scientific Council to develop a Migratory Species Index within the context of Living Planet Index in collaboration with BirdLife International, IUCN, UNEP-WCMC, WWF and other relevant institutions;
- 3. Further requests the CMS Secretariat in collaboration with the Scientific Council to study the suitability of other instruments and methods for assessing the Convention's effectiveness using the example of Ramsar and the existing instruments such as GROMS and review papers; and
- 4. Decides to take action within the framework of the Strategic Plan so as to help contribute effectively to the 2010 target, and to report to the next Conference of the Parties on the effectiveness of these actions.

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