RESOLUTIONS TO REPEAL IN PART

RECOMMENDATION 8.16, MIGRATORY SHARKS

(Prepared by the Secretariat on behalf of the Standing Committee)

Summary:

This document repeals in part Recommendation 8.16, Migratory Sharks.
ANNEX 1

DRAFT RESOLUTION

RECOMMENDATION RESOLUTION 8.16*(REV. COP12)*: MIGRATORY SHARKS

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ANNEX 2

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