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ADMISSION OF OBSERVERS

(Prepared by the Secretariat)

Summary:

With reference to Article VII paragraph 9 of the Convention, the present document includes a list of agencies and bodies that have notified the Secretariat of their desire to be represented at the 13th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP13) by observers through pre-registration.

Admission of these agencies and bodies will be confirmed at the beginning of the Meeting. Should any Party have an objection on the participation of any of the agencies or bodies included in the list, it is requested that they inform the Secretariat as soon as possible in advance of the Meeting.

Rev.1 accounts for agencies and bodies registered for the meeting after distribution of the original version.

ADMISSION OF OBSERVERS

1. Article VII, paragraph 9 of the Convention stipulates that

‘Any agency or body technically qualified in protection, conservation and management of migratory species, in the following categories, which has informed the Secretariat of its desire to be represented at meetings of the Conference of the Parties by observers, shall be admitted unless at least one-third of the Parties present object:

- a) *international agencies or bodies, either governmental or non-governmental, and national governmental agencies and bodies; and*
- b) *national non-governmental agencies or bodies which have been approved for this purpose by the State in which they are located.*

Once admitted, these observers shall have the right to participate but not to vote.’

2. The present document includes as Annex a list of such observer bodies that have notified the Secretariat of their desire to be represented at the 13th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP13) through pre-registration as at 14 February 2020. Admission of these agencies and bodies will be confirmed at the beginning of the Meeting. Should any Party have an objection on the participation of any of the agencies or bodies included in the list, it is requested that they inform the Secretariat as soon as possible in advance of the meeting.

Recommended actions

3. The Conference of the Parties is recommended to:
 - a). take note of the list of observers.

LIST OF OBSERVERS PRE-REGISTERED FOR COP13

1. Inter-Governmental Organizations

Agreement on the Conservation of Albatrosses and Petrels (ACAP)
 Association of Southeast Asian Nations Centre for Biodiversity (ASEAN)
 Conservation of Arctic Flora and Fauna (CAFF)
 East Asian-Australasian Flyway Partnership (EAAFP)
 Global Tiger Initiative Council
 Greater Virunga Transboundary Collaboration
 International Council for Game and Wildlife Conservation (CIC)
 International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN)
 International Whaling Commission (IWC)
 Ramsar Convention on Wetlands
 South Asia Co-operative Environment Programme (SACEP)

2. Non-Governmental Organizations

A Rocha India
 Aaranyak
 Aashirwad Pashu Pakshi Sansthan
 Afghanistan Environment Experts Association
 African Marine Mammals Conservation Organization
 African Parks
 All A'chik Youth Federation, Rajabala Regional Unit
 All India Disaster Mitigation Institute
 Alternatives Durables pour le Développement (ADD)
 Amis de la Terre (ADT) Togo
 Amur Falcon Roosting Area Union, Pangti village
 Arulagam
 Ashoka Trust for Research in Ecology and the Environment (ATREE)
 Association for Farmers Rights Defense (AFRD)
 Association for the Conservation of Biodiversity of Kazakhstan
 Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies
 BAEPD-CONGO/ASBL
 Bee-Elle
 Benin Environment and Education Society
 Bhopal Birds Conservation Society
 Bird Conservation Nepal
 Bird Conservation Society of Gujarat
 BirdLife International
 Blue Resources Trust
 Bombay Natural History Society
 Born Free Foundation
 British Association for Shooting & Conservation
 Carnivore Conservation & Research
 Center for Large Landscape Conservation
 Centre for Environment and Social Concerns
 Centre for Environment Education, Ahmedabad

Cheetah Conservation Fund
China Biodiversity Conservation and Green Development Foundation
Collective Efforts for Voluntary Action (CEVA)
Community Environmental Network
Conservation Consortium
Conservation Force
Conservation Mizoram
Dakshin Foundation
Deccan Birders
Defenders of Wildlife
Direction Nationale de la Faune
Divers for Sharks
Endangered Wildlife Trust
Ethological Society of India (ESI)
European Federation for Hunting and Conservation (FACE)
Federation of Indian Animal Protection Organisations
Federation of Nile Basin countries
Forum for Law, Environment, Development and Governance (FLEDGE)
GEER Foundation, Indroda Nature Park, Gandhinagar
Giving Life Nature Volunteer
Global Ocean Biodiversity Initiative / Seascope Consultants Ltd
Global Youth Biodiversity Network
Great Indian Bustard Conservation Project
Green Future Foundation
Greenplanet
Gujarat Ecology Society
Helping Hand India
Humane Society International (HSI)
India Youth for Society
Indian Grameen Services
Instituto Baleia Jubarte - Brazilian Humpback Whale Institute
International Association for Falconry
International Environmental Law Project (Lewis & Clark College)
International Fund for Animal Welfare (IFAW)
Kumaon Maati, India
Lilongwe Wildlife Trust
Mangrove Foundation
Manipur Nature Society
Muséum national d'Histoire naturelle
Nagaland Wildlife and Biodiversity Conservation Trust
Natural Heritage Conservation Society
Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC)
Nature Conservation Foundation
Nature Conservation Management
Naturschutzbund Deutschland e.V. (NABU)
Nigerian Conservation Foundation
Nirmal Foundation Frd
Nordic Hunters' Alliance
OceanCare
Organisation de la Conservation de la Faune Sauvage en Afrique
Organization for Cetaceans Conservation/ Healthy Oceans project
Pan African Sanctuary Alliance (PASA)
Pan African Wildlife Conservation Network
Panchjanya Paryavaran Trust, Bet Dwarika
Pelican Nature Club
Pentapolis Foundation, India
Prakruti Mitra, Junagadh
Prakruti Yuva Seva Trust

Royal Society for Protection of Nature
 Royal Society for the Protection of Birds/SAVE
 Salim Ali Centre for Ornithology & Natural History (SACON)
 Samvardhan Samaj Vikas Sanstha
 Save Our Seas Foundation
 Save Wildlife
 Sea Shepherd Legal
 Self Employed Women's Association (SEWA)
 SEO/BirdLife
 Shark Advocates International
 Society for Wildlife and Nature International (SWAN)
 TERRE Policy Centre
 The Asiatic Wildlife Conservation Trust
 The Corbett Foundation
 The Himalayan Avian
 The Peregrine Fund
 Tree Foundation India
 Turtle Survival Alliance
 Vulture Conservation Foundation
 Wetlands International
 Whale and Dolphin Conservation (WDC)
 Wild Migration
 Wildfowl & Wetlands Trust
 Wildlife Conservation and Birds Club of Ladakh (WCBCL)
 Wildlife Conservation Society (WCS)
 Wildlife Conservation Trust
 Wildlife Institute of India, Chandrabani Dehradun
 Wildlife Protection Society of India
 Wildlife Research & Conservation Society
 Wildlife SOS
 Wildlife Trust of India (WTI)
 World Resources Institute (WRI), New Delhi
 World Wildlife Fund (WWF)
 Young Naturalist Network (YNN)
 Zoological Society of London (ZSL)

3. Observer, Others

Action for a Sustainable Environment (ASE)
 Aditanar College of Arts & Science
 Ahmedabad University, Centre for Heritage Management
 Ahmedabad University, India
 Amity Institute of Virology and Immunology
 Anand Agricultural University
 Aspee College of Horticulture and Forestry. Navsari
 Bharati Vidyapeeth Institute of Environment Education and Research (BVIIEER)
 Central University of Gujarat
 Centre for Heritage Management, Ahmedabad University
 CEPT University, India
 Chandigarh University, India
 Chaudhary Charan Singh Haryana Agricultural University, India
 College of Forestry, Navsari Agricultural University, India
 College of Veterinary Science, AAU, Khanapara, Guwahati
 Department of Geography, MLSU, Udaipur, India
 Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ)
 Government Engineering College, Gandhinagar

Gujarat Institute of Desert Ecology, Bhuj - Kachchh
Gujarat University, India
Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University
Gurukul Kangri University, Haridwar, India
HCL Technologies
Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad
Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)
Indian Institute of Technology-Bombay (IIT-B)
International Avian Research Centre, University of Calicut, India
J M Enviro Net Pvt Ltd
Jai Narain Vyas University, India
Kasiga School Purkul, Dehradun
Krantiguru Shyamji Krishna Verma (K.S.K.V.) Kachchh University, India
Kutch Birding Lodge, India
L.D. College of Engineering
Lea Associates South Asia Pvt. Ltd. (LASA)
Maharaja Krishnakumarsinhji Bhavnagar University, India
Navsari Agricultural University, Navsari-Gujarat, India
Pandit Deendayal Petroleum University, India
Sakkarbaug Zoological Park
San Diego State University, U.S.A
Saurashtra University, Rajkot
Seth Gb Podar College Nawalgarh Jhunjhunu Rajasthan
Target Infra
The Biodiversity Consultancy, United Kingdom
The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, India
University of Helsinki, Finland
University of Tehran, Iran
Uttar Gujarat Vij Company Limited
Virtual Eye
Weben Digital Solutions
Welkin Conservation LLP