ADDENDUM 1 In-session version

SCIENTIFIC COUNCIL COMMENTS (arising from ScC-SC6)

PROPOSAL FOR THE INCLUSION OF THE PALLAS'S CAT (*Felis manul*) IN APPENDIX II OF THE CONVENTION

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RECOMMENDATIONS TO COP14

The Scientific Council supports the adoption of the proposal by the Conference of the Parties.

GENERAL COMMENTS ON THE DOCUMENT

Information on the proportion of the global population of Pallas's Cat that cyclically and predictably crosses jurisdictional boundaries was requested, and it was addressed by expert commentary on the methodological difficulties to estimate population numbers and density due to the species being poorly studied and having highly fragmented range.

COMMENTS ON SPECIFIC SECTIONS/ INCLUDING POSSIBLE PROPOSALS FOR TEXT REVISION

To further strengthen the proposal, the proponents are encouraged to add further details on:

- the migratory behaviour of the species, taking into consideration aspects of the cyclical and predictable nature of movements, as interpreted in UNEP/CMS/Resolution 13.7 *Guidelines for Preparing and Assessing Proposals for the Amendment of CMS Appendices.*
- the proportion of transboundary populations of the global population of the species.