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Working groups established at the opening of the Committee of the Whole

The Chair of the Committee of the Whole (COW) proposed that Parties agree on establishing Working Groups on Budget, Aquatic, Avian and Terrestrial issues, and institutional and crosscutting issues. Working Groups will help begin deliberations on the following agenda items before they are discussed in the COW:

- **Budget:** 13.2-13.3
- Aquatic: 27.1-27.7.3 (Aquatic species conservation issues), 31.4.4 31.4.5, 31.4.9 31.4.14 (proposals for amendment of Appendices), 32.2.3 32.2.6, 32.2.9 (implementation of Concerted Actions) and 32.3.5 to 32.3.7 (new proposals for Concerted Actions).
- **Avian:** 28.1-28.7 (Avian species conservation issues), 31.4.6 to 31.4.8 (proposals for amendment of Appendices), 32.2.7-32.2.8 (implementation of Concerted Actions).
- **Terrestrial:** 29.1-29.7 (Terrestrial species conservation issues), 31.4.1-31.4.3 (proposals for amendment of Appendices), 32.2.1-32.2.2 (implementation of Concerted Actions), and 32.3.1 to 32.3.4 (new proposals for Concerted Actions).
- **Institutional and cross-cutting issues:** The WG will meet as necessary after agenda items are discussed on Tuesday and Wednesday at the COW.

After receiving no objections, the Chair of the COW declared that the Parties had agreed on the constitution of such Working Groups.

The Working Groups will meet in the following rooms at the times specified in the <u>Annotated Agenda</u>:

Aquatic: Pelican RoomBudget: Falcon Room

Avian: Great Bustard RoomTerrestrial: Jeyran RoomCross-cutting: Hangul Room

Please be reminded that written submissions on agenda items should be sent to cms.cop14@cms.int.