



CONVENTION ON MIGRATORY SPECIES

UNEP/CMS/Resolution 14.3

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CMS ENGAGEMENT IN CBD PROCESSES INCLUDING THE GLOBAL BIODIVERSITY FRAMEWORK

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Recalling Resolution 8.18 (Rev.COP12) *Integration of migratory species into National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plans and into ongoing and future programmes of work under the Convention on Biological Diversity*; Resolution 10.18 (Rev.COP12) *Guidelines on the integration of migratory species into National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plans (NBSAPs) and other outcomes from CBD COP10*; and Resolution 13.1 *Gandhinagar Declaration on CMS and the post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework*,

Welcoming the adoption of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework and its related decisions,

Noting Decision 15/6 of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) and its Annex, which encourage Parties to include in their NBSAPs actions to implement commitments and recommendations under each of the biodiversity-related multilateral environmental agreements to which they are a Party, and to facilitate, as appropriate, engagement with and coordination among focal points,

Further noting that the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework and its supporting Decisions recognize the importance of cooperation at the transboundary, regional and international levels among Parties and other non-Parties,

Acknowledging that CBD Decision 15/13 calls for strengthened collaboration among CBD, the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS) and other conventions, multilateral environmental agreements and processes in the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework,

Appreciating that CBD Decision 15/6 recognizes that other biodiversity-related multilateral environmental agreements will provide essential contributions to the implementation of relevant elements of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework, consistent with their mandates and priorities,

Noting that the targets of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals are both to be achieved by 2030, thus providing opportunities for close alignment between these interrelated agendas and priorities,

Recalling that the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework sets out an ambitious plan to implement broad-based action to bring about a transformation in society's relationship with biodiversity and to ensure that, by 2050, the shared vision of living in harmony with nature is fulfilled,

Recognizing that CMS is the lead intergovernmental agreement for international cooperation on the conservation of migratory species and their habitats,

Acknowledging the work of CMS in facilitating international cooperation and engagement in protecting migratory species, as well as conserving and restoring the ecological connectivity and integrity of ecosystems to support the conservation of migratory species and their habitats, including the natural movements of animals necessary for their survival and wellbeing,

Noting the adoption of the Samarkand Strategic Plan for Migratory Species 2024-2032, the purpose of which is to ensure a coherent and strategic approach to the implementation of CMS at national, regional and global levels,

Recognizing the importance of close cooperation between CMS and CBD, both at the national level and through the work of their Secretariats, and noting the long-standing institutional collaboration of the Secretariats of CMS and CBD, formalized through their Memorandum of Cooperation in 1996, and appreciating the value and achievements of this collaboration,

Bearing in mind the importance of collaboration and synergies with related conventions, bodies and organizations at all levels, and

Noting the important role of the Liaison Group of the Biodiversity-related Conventions, which facilitates coordination and collaboration among the eight global biodiversity conventions, including CMS and CBD,

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

1. *Welcomes* the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework and its related decisions, adopted by CBD COP15, and notes that collaboration among CBD, other biodiversity-related conventions, other relevant multilateral environmental agreements, and international organizations and processes, in line with their respective mandates, including at the global, regional, subregional and national levels, is vital for their efficient and effective implementation;
2. *Acknowledges* that the achievement of the goals and targets of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework contributes to the implementation of the objectives of the CMS;
3. *Emphasizes* that implementation of the CMS makes a significant contribution to the achievement of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework's Vision, Goals and Targets;
4. *Emphasizes* the importance of developing a monitoring framework for the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework that relies, *inter alia*, on established monitoring systems;
5. *Recognizes* the importance of synergies and cooperation among the various biodiversity-related agreements at all levels and thus welcomes the Bern Process on cooperation and coordination among Parties of biodiversity-related conventions, and *invites* the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) to continue strengthening cooperation and collaboration among biodiversity-related conventions, contributing to effective and efficient implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework;

6. *Underscores* the importance of including government commitments under CBD, CMS and other relevant multilateral environmental agreements in NBSAPs;
7. *Urges* CMS National Focal Points to work closely with CBD National Focal Points, to ensure that actions to conserve migratory species are reflected when updating their NBSAPs, as well as in their other activities to implement the programmes of work under CBD;
8. *Recalls* the indicative lists of actions and categories of relevant information on migratory species of Resolution 8.18 (Rev.COP12) as a basis to promote the integration of migratory species actions in NBSAPs;
9. *Requests* the CMS Secretariat to collaborate with the CBD Secretariat to strengthen their cooperation in the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework and other mandates; and
10. *Repeals* Resolution 13.1 *Gandhinagar Declaration on CMS and the post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework*.