



THIRD MEETING OF THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE OF THE AGREEMENT ON THE
CONSERVATION OF AFRICAN-EURASIAN MIGRATORY WATERBIRDS (AEWA)
TANZANIA, 27-28 MAY 2002

PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA

1. Opening

The representative of the Host country will open the meeting at 9.30 hrs

2. Welcome addresses

The Depositary and the Secretariat may make some initial welcoming remarks.

3. Adoption of the Rules of Procedure

The amended Rules of Procedure (doc. 3) will be proposed for adoption.

4. Election of the new Chairman of the Technical Committee

The Secretariat will inform the members of the Technical Committee of the decision of Mr Barry Taylor to step down as Chair. Later on the members will be requested to elect a new Chairman.

5. Adoption of the agenda and work programme

The agenda (doc.2) as well as the work programme (doc. 4) will be proposed for adoption.

6. Admission of Observers

The Chairman will orally inform the members about the international inter-governmental and non-governmental organisations which have been invited to participate at this Technical Committee Meeting.

7. Adoption of the minutes of the second Meeting of the Technical Committee

The minutes (doc.5) of the previous meeting will be proposed for adoption.

8. Report by the Chairman

The Chairman will orally report on its activities since the last meeting of the Technical Committee.

9. Report of the Depositary

The representative of the Netherlands will orally report on behalf of the Depositary.

10. Report by the Secretariat:

The Secretariat will introduce a brief report (doc. 6) regarding its activities since the last meeting of the Technical Committee. Furthermore, the Secretariat will report on the following issues:

- a. On financial and administrative matters*
- b. Personnel matters*
- c. On any other issue*

11. Report on the activities of the working group:

The Chairman/ members of the following working groups will orally report on progress made since November 2000

- a. Brent Goose Management Plan*
- b. The development of a format for Species Action Plans*
- c. Species Action Plans in Africa*

12. Update on the GEF Flyway project

The representative of Wetlands International will orally report on the progress made on the AEW/TC GEF project.

13. Implementation of the International Implementation Priorities 2000-2004

The Secretariat will report on the current situation of the International Implementation Priorities 2000-2004 (doc.7)

14. Proposal for a Resolution on phasing out lead shot for hunting in wetlands

The Secretariat will introduce the draft Resolution. Afterwards the members of the TC will be invited to comment on this Resolution.

15. Review and approval of new projects for inclusion in the Register of International Projects

The participants are requested to submit proposals for inclusion of new projects of international importance in the Register, which could be reviewed and approved during this meeting.

16. Guidelines for the acceptance of contributions in cash and contributions in kind

The Secretariat will introduce this subject, which has been examined by UNON (doc. 10). Decision should be taken on the submission of the proposal to the MOP2.

17. Establishment of a small conservation grants fund

The Secretariat will introduce document nr. 11. The Technical Committee is requested to decide if this proposal can be submitted to the MOP2.

18. Amendments to the Action Plan

Wetlands International has been contracted to update the tables of the Action Plan. Furthermore a proposal for amendment of the Action Plan has been received from South Africa. Regarding the latter the Secretariat drafted document 12. The Secretariat will introduce this document. Afterwards the Technical Committee is requested to draft on this a recommendation for MOP2.

19. Review of the Conservation Guidelines

The Secretariat will report on revision of the initial guidelines (doc. 13) and progress made regarding finalisation of these guidelines. Furthermore the representative of Wetlands International will report on progress made on the guideline on international emergency situations.

20. Developments on the Global Register for Migratory Species (GROMS)

The intersessional working group on GROMS, consisting of Wetlands International, UNEP-WCMC and BirdLife International, will report on their activities.

21. Joint Work programme RAMSAR/ CMS and AEWA

The Secretariat will introduce document 14.

22. Adoption of Institutional arrangements

- a) *Draft Resolution on the role of the Technical Committee*
- b) *Draft Resolution on the establishment of an Standing Committee*

23. Adoption of the draft proposal regarding Budget 2003-2005

The Secretariat will introduce the second draft of the Budget proposal for 2003-2005 (doc. 17). Later on the budget will be proposed for adoption by the Technical Committee.

24. Development of the Action Plan for the Central Asian-Indian Flyway

The Secretariat will orally inform the Technical Committee on progress made regarding the development of the Action Plan for the Central Asian-Indian Flyway. Furthermore the Secretariat will introduce the note on the three options for concerted international actions in this region (doc 19).

25. Developments on International Species Action Plans

- a. *Draft Action Plan for the Sociable Plover (doc. 20)*
- b. *Draft Action Plan for the Great Snipe (doc. 21)*
- c. *Draft Action Plan for the Dark-bellied Brent Goose (doc. 22)*
- d. *Draft Action Plan for the Black-winged Pratincole (doc. 23)*

After introduction of the Action Plan by BirdLife International/ Secretariat, the Technical Committee will be requested to make a recommendation, which should be submitted to MOP2.

26. Arrangements for the Second session of the Meeting of the Parties

The representative of the German Government/ the Secretariat will give a brief oral report on the state of arrangements towards holding the MOP2 in Bonn.

27. Draft agenda for MOP2 (25-27 September 2002, Bonn)

The Secretariat will introduce this agenda (doc.24) and will request the members of the TC to approve it.

28. Proposal regarding MOP3

The Secretariat will inform the members of the Technical Committee regarding the procedure to host the MOP3.

29. Date and venue of the next meeting of the Technical Committee

30. Any other business

31. Closure