

1987 AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLES 6 AND 7 OF THE 1971 CONVENTION ON WETLANDS OF INTERNATIONAL IMPORTANCE ESPECIALLY AS WATERFOWL HABITAT

Adopted in Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada on 28 May 1987

ARTICLE 6

1. The present text of paragraph 1 shall be replaced by the following wording:

"There shall be established a Conference of the Contracting Parties to review and promote the implementation of this Convention. The Bureau referred to in Article 8, paragraph 1, shall convene ordinary meetings of the Conference of the Contracting Parties at intervals of not more than three years, unless the Conference decides otherwise, and extraordinary meetings at the written request of at least one third of the Contracting Parties. Each ordinary meeting of the Conference of the Contracting Parties shall determine the time and venue of the next ordinary meeting."

2. The introductory phrase of paragraph 2 shall read as follows:

"The Conference of the Contracting Parties shall be competent:"

3. An additional item shall be included at the end of paragraph 2, as follows:

"(f) to adopt other recommendations, or resolutions, to promote the functioning of this Convention."

4. A new paragraph 4 is added which would read as follows:

"The Conference of the Contracting Parties shall adopt rules of procedure for each of its meetings."

5. New paragraphs 5 and 6 are added, which would read as follows:

Paragraph 5: "The Conference of the Contracting Parties shall establish and keep under review the financial regulations of this Convention. At each of its ordinary meetings, it shall adopt the budget for the next financial period by a two-third majority of Contracting Parties present and voting."

Paragraph 6: "Each Contracting Party shall contribute to the budget according to a scale of contributions adopted by unanimity of the Contracting Parties present and voting at a meeting of the ordinary Conference of the Contracting Parties."

ARTICLE 7

Paragraph 2 is replaced by the following wording:

"Each of the Contracting Parties represented at a Conference shall have one vote, recommendations, resolutions and decisions being adopted by a simple majority of the Contracting Parties present and voting, unless otherwise provided for in this Convention."

ANNEX

RESOLUTION ON PROVISIONAL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AMENDMENTS TO THE CONVENTION

WHEREAS the Contracting Parties to the Convention on Wetlands of International Importance especially as Waterfowl Habitat at an Extraordinary Conference held in Regina, Canada, from 28 May to 3 June 1987, have adopted amendments to that Convention,

WHEREAS the Contracting Parties to the Convention on Wetlands of International Importance especially as Waterfowl Habitat are desirous to implement provisionally the amendments adopted by the Extraordinary Conference held in Regina, Canada, from 28 May to 3 June 1987,

THE CONFERENCE OF THE CONTRACTING PARTIES

URGES the Contracting Parties to implement on a provisional basis the measures and procedures envisaged by the amendments adopted by the Extraordinary Conference of the Contracting Parties to that Convention until such time as they come into force pursuant to Article 10 bis of the Convention.