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Collaborative Partnership on Wildlife

AWARE of the Convention on Biological Diversity's (CBD) *Addis Ababa Principles and Guidelines for the Sustainable Use of Biodiversity* as a framework for assisting governments, indigenous and local communities, officials, resource managers, the private sector and other stakeholders to ensure that their use of and decisions on biological diversity will not lead to its long-term decline;

RECALLING that the mission of IUCN is "to ensure that any use of natural resources is equitable and ecologically sustainable";

NOTING the CBD Executive Secretary's Notification of 19 January 2012 on *Soliciting expressions of interest for participating in a collaborative partnership on sustainable wildlife management* to "explore options for the development of a collaborative partnership on sustainable wildlife management to enhance cooperation and coordination for implementation of the recommendations of the Liaison Group on Bushmeat" and document UNEP/CBD/COP/11/29 on *Options for the development of a collaborative partnership on sustainable wildlife management* made available by the CBD Secretariat for the attention of Parties at the 11th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties (CBD COP11);

EXPRESSING CONCERN that the programmes of international organizations, conventions and other stakeholders in the wildlife sector frequently face scarce resources, often covering individual issues in isolation and suffering from a lack of coordination, all of which result in poor public visibility and under-utilized knowledge and expertise in many fora; and

RECOGNIZING a variety of wildlife management-related issues to be addressed, such as species conservation, wildlife welfare, food security, animal and human health, climate change, knowledge management, and the non-existence of an appropriate global platform to coordinate these issues;

The World Conservation Congress, at its session in Jeju, Republic of Korea, 6-15 September 2012:

1. SUPPORTS the initiative of establishing a voluntary Collaborative Partnership on Sustainable Wildlife Management (CPSWM), initially among Multilateral Environmental Agreements, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations with demonstrated contributions to the sustainable management of wildlife, which incorporates conservation, health and livelihood dimensions and with a Programme of Work initially focused on the enhancement of cooperation and coordination for implementation of the Recommendations of the Liaison Group on Bushmeat as proposed to CBD COP11;
2. REQUESTS the Director General to support the establishment of such a global voluntary partnership, in close collaboration with relevant Members, in particular the Sustainable Use and Livelihoods Specialist Group (SULi) and TRAFFIC, and to participate in its activities when established;
3. ENCOURAGES the partners to share their professional knowledge and expertise, to utilize their networks, and as a consequence to assist in the implementation of wildlife-related conventions and generate added value and an integrated approach to the solution of existing and arising problems related to wildlife; and
4. FURTHER ENCOURAGES Parties to the CBD to support at COP11 paragraphs 25. (a) to (g) of section *III. Proposed Way Forward* in the above-referenced document UNEP/CBD/COP/11/29.