Clarification of conditions for readmission of former State Members

The IUCN World Conservation Congress 2020, at its session in Marseille, France:

Adopts the following amendments to the IUCN Statutes and Regulations:

**(i) Amend Article 14 of the IUCN Statutes as follows:**

*Part III – Members*

**Readmission**

(a) States or political and/or economic integration organisations shall re-join IUCN by notifying the Director General of their adhesion to these Statutes, effective upon payment of the first year’s membership dues.

(b) Any former Member of IUCN, Government agency, national and international non-governmental organisation, indigenous peoples’ organisation and affiliate, meeting the qualifications for membership may be readmitted by the Council, in accordance with the Regulations.

**(ii) Amend Article 26 of the Regulations as follows:**

*Part III – Members*

**Membership dues**

If a former Member, a Government agency, a national and international non-governmental organisation, an indigenous peoples’ organisation or an affiliate, which is deemed to have withdrawn from IUCN, seeks readmission to membership within three years of its withdrawal, all membership dues outstanding shall be paid before the Member is readmitted. Applications for admission three years or more after withdrawal shall be treated in the same way as new applications for membership.