Convention on the Conservation of European Wildlife and Natural Habitats



Standing Committee

Recommendation No. 75 (1999) on the implementation of new action plans for globally threatened birds in Europe

(Adopted by the Standing Committee on 3 December 1999)

The Standing Committee of the Convention on the Conservation of European Wildlife and Natural Habitats, acting under the terms of Article 14 of the Convention;

Having regard to the aims of the Convention to conserve wild fauna and its natural habitats;

Recalling that Article 1, paragraph 2 of the Convention requires Parties to give particular emphasis to the conservation of endangered and vulnerable species;

Recalling their Recommendations No. 48 (1996) on the conservation of European globally threatened birds, No. 60 (1997) on the implementation of the actions plans for globally threatened birds in Europe, No. 61 (1997) on the conservation of the White-headed Duck (*Oxyura leucocephala*), No. 62 (1997) on the conservation of regionally threatened birds in the Macaronesian and Mediterranean regions;

Noting that a considerable number of bird species of Europe have suffered a decreased in their numbers, a reduction in their geographical distribution or have critically endangered populations;

Aware that the design and implementation of Recovery Plans may be a useful tool to redress the situation of European globally threatened birds and recalling in this context Recommendation No. 59 (1997) on the drafting and implementation of actions plans of wild fauna species;

Desirous to increase co-ordination in the implementation of the Bern Convention and the African-Eurasian Migratory Waterbirds Agreement (AEWA) under the Bonn Convention;

Referring to the Action Plans on European globally threatened birds presented by BirdLife International;

Desirous to take prompt action for the conservation of Europe's most threatened birds;

Recommends that Contracting Parties and observer states to the Convention:

- carry out (or, if appropriate, reinforce) National Action Plans for the species listed in the Appendix to the recommendation in co-ordination with the African-Eurasian Migratory Waterbirds Agreement (AEWA).

Appendix to Recommendation No. 75

Aythya nyroca Polysticta stelleri Aquila clanga Aquila pomarina