

**Convention on Wetlands (Ramsar, Iran, 1971)
2nd Meeting of the Conference of the Contracting Parties
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Recommendation 2.10: Thanks to the Government of the Netherlands and appreciation of wetland conservation measures taken in the Netherlands

CONSCIOUS of the notable progress made in the work of the Convention thanks to the present Conference;

PAYING tribute to the Government of the Netherlands for its generous financial support to the interim secretariat and for organization of the present Conference;

GRATEFUL to the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries of the Netherlands, and the Queen's Commissioner for the Province of Groningen, both for their hospitality and for their inspiring opening addresses which outlined the national wetlands policy and gave details of conservation measures under consideration at the wetlands of international importance of Oostvaardersplassen, Oosterschelde, Markizaatsmeer and Zwanenwater,

THE SECOND CONFERENCE OF THE CONTRACTING PARTIES

EXPRESSES its warmest thanks and congratulations to the many governmental and non-governmental bodies in the Netherlands who contributed to the success of the present Conference;

EXPRESSES its conviction that the Government of the Netherlands will take fully into account the international importance of the Markermeer as a wetland when balancing the different interests before a final decision is taken on the future of this area; and

THANKS the Government of the Netherlands for its continuing involvement in the development of the Convention through its leading role in the special Task Force established at Groningen.