

Convention on Wetlands (Ramsar, Iran, 1971)
4th Meeting of the Conference of the Contracting Parties
Montreux, Switzerland
27 June – 4 July 1990

Recommendation 4.3: National Reports

RECALLING Recommendation 2.1 of the Conference of the Contracting Parties on the submission of national reports which noted that “the submission of timely and detailed national reports is of vital importance for the purpose of monitoring implementation of the Convention and for the purpose of sharing information on wetland conservation measures taken, on any problems which have arisen and on appropriate methods of dealing with them”;

NOTING that the request for national reports for the Fourth Meeting of the Conference of the Contracting Parties was circulated under cover of Bureau notification 1989/7 dated 19 May 1989 and that reports were requested to be submitted to the Bureau by 27 December 1989;

REGRETTING that only four reports were received by the requested date and that by 1 April 1990 national reports had been received from only 21 Contracting Parties;

EMPHASIZING ONCE AGAIN that national reports to the Conference of the Contracting Parties continue to provide the most detailed and accurate record of the implementation of the Convention;

STRESSING the value of the Overview of National Reports document prepared by the Bureau as a basis for discussion at meetings of the Conference of the Contracting Parties;

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URGES anew the Contracting Parties to submit detailed national reports to the Bureau at least six months prior to each ordinary meeting of the Conference of the Contracting Parties.