

Convention on Wetlands (Ramsar, Iran, 1971)
5th Meeting of the Conference of the Contracting Parties
Kushiro, Japan
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Recommendation 5.1.2: Cuare, Venezuela

NOTING that Cuare has been designated by the Government of Venezuela for the “List of wetlands of international importance” established under the Ramsar Convention;

RECOGNIZING that the site is one of the most important in the country for its flora and fauna, including 315 bird species, among which the population of Greater Flamingo *Phoenicopterus ruber* is outstanding;

APPRECIATIVE of the Government of Venezuela’s contribution to Workshop A on the application of the Monitoring Procedure at Cuare;

CONCERNED by the continuing urgent need for measures to prevent adverse ecological change at the site, mentioned in the Venezuela National Report;

THE CONFERENCE OF CONTRACTING PARTIES

URGES the Government of Venezuela to devise means of preventing damage to Cuare (and the neighbouring Morrocoy National Park), by active implementation of the Land-use Plan for the east of Falcón State, by execution of measures to control negative environmental impacts caused by tourist development to be built in the area, and by establishment in an appropriate site of facilities to harbour increased human population in the area; and

REQUESTS the Bureau to assist the Government of Venezuela in identifying and obtaining sources of funding assistance, necessary for implementing these measures.