

**Convention on Wetlands (Ramsar, Iran, 1971)**  
**5th Meeting of the Conference of the Contracting Parties**  
**Kushiro, Japan**  
**9-16 June 1993**

### **Recommendation 5.11: The new Bureau headquarters in Switzerland**

RECALLING that the offices of the Ramsar Bureau are situated at the Headquarters of IUCN - The World Conservation Union, at Gland, in the Canton of Vaud, Confederation of Switzerland;

GRATEFULLY ACKNOWLEDGING the offer made by the Swiss authorities to provide a permanent headquarters for IUCN - The World Conservation Union, which would include appropriate space for the Ramsar Bureau;

#### THE CONFERENCE OF THE CONTRACTING PARTIES

EXPRESSES ITS SATISFACTION at the reports received at the present meeting that the Convention Bureau was able to occupy its new offices in August 1992;

THANKS IUCN - The World Conservation Union for the arrangements made to provide accommodation of appropriate style and size for the Ramsar Bureau; and

EXPRESSES ITS SPECIAL THANKS to the Swiss authorities at all levels - the Commune of Gland, the Canton of Vaud and the Swiss Confederation - for its generosity in providing the necessary financial support for the splendid new facilities, as well as many other forms of support and services.