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Re

Transboundary Ramsar Site Wadden Sea

Dear Secretary General,

To fulfil the commitment made by the States Parties Denmark, Germany and the Netherlands at the 12th Trilateral Conference on the Protection of the Wadden Sea (Tønder, Denmark, 2014) we jointly request the Ramsar Secretariat to register the wetland site "Wadden Sea" as a Transboundary Ramsar Site.

The site consists of the following sites designated under Ramsar.

<u>Denmark</u>: No. 356: Vadehavet (Wadden Sea) <u>Germany</u>: No. 501: Hamburgisches Wattenmeer

No. 537: Schleswig-Holstein Wadden Sea and adjacent areas

No. 80: Wattenmeer, Elbe-Weser-Dreieck

No. 81: Wattenmeer, Jadebusen & westliche Wesermündung No. 82: Wattenmeer, Ostfriesisches Wattenmeer & Dollart

The Netherlands: No. 1252: North Sea Coastal Area (Noordzeekustzone)

No. 289: Waddenzee (Wadden Sea) (including former No. 195: Boschplaat and

No. 196: Griend)

No. 2213: Duinen en Lage land Texel

No. 2216: Duinen Vlieland No. 2215: Duinen Terschelling No. 2212: Duinen Ameland

No. 2214: Duinen Schiermonnikoog

By designating these fifteen important wetlands as the Transboundary Ramsar Site "Wadden Sea", we emphasise once more our willingness to jointly manage these sites and accept this shared responsibility.

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