

**CONVENTION ON WETLANDS (Ramsar, Iran, 1971)**  
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### **2007 budget review and update**

**Action requested:** The Subgroup on Finance is invited to note this provisional statement on Income and Expenditures for 2007.

1. Attached to this note is a draft financial report on the Convention's Income and Expenditures for 2007.
2. The Subgroup on Finance should note that at this early time of the year this is a provisional statement of Income and Expenditures, and that the auditors are expected to review all payments and expenditures during April 2008.
3. The final audited report of 2007 Income and Expenditures will be presented to the Subgroup on Finance and Standing Committee for its approval at the 37<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Committee in June 2008.

RAMSAR CONVENTION BUREAU		DRAFT			
EXPENDITURE BUDGET VS. ACTUAL 2007					
(Swiss francs '000)					
		Budget COP9 2007	Actual Jan-Dec 2007	Balance on Budget to year end	% of budget remaining
<b>INCOME</b>					
1	Contribution from Contracting Parties (Invoices)	3,060,436	3,145,970		
2	US Voluntary Contributions	668,841	668,841		
3	Retained Swiss Income Tax	245,000	226,649	(18,351)	(7%)
4	Interest Income & Exchange gain	12,000	81,486	69,486	
5	Miscellaneous Income	-	4,322	4,322	
	<b>Total Income</b>	<b>4,206,277</b>	<b>4,327,269</b>	<b>120,992</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>					
<b>A SECRETARIAT SENIOR MANAGEMENT</b>					
a	Salary & social costs (SG) (10% DSG-STG)	356,750	362,439	(5,689)	(2%)
b	Travel on Official Business (International)	43,998	51,406	(7,408)	(17%)
<b>B REGIONAL ADVICE &amp; SUPPORT</b>					
a	Salaries & social costs (SRAs, Oceania officer, Assistants, DSG-RA)	1,020,092	1,036,216	(16,126)	(2%)
b	Travel on Official Business (International)	79,600	80,114	(514)	(1%)
c	Publications		274		
<b>C SUPPORT TO REGIONAL INITIATIVES</b>					
a	Regional networks (cooperation)	102,382	202,773	(391)	
b	Regional centers (training & capacity-building)	100,000			
<b>D SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL SERVICES</b>					
a	STRP (Implementation/meeting)	104,915	104,915		
b	Salaries & social costs DSG (70%); E.Kaeslin (100%)	264,101	263,952	149	
c	Ramsar Sites Information Service	160,000	160,000		
d	Travel on Official Business (International)	10,000	9,925	75	1%
<b>E CEPA -COMMUNICATION, EDUCATION &amp; PUBLIC AWARENESS</b>					
a	Salaries & social costs (DSG 20%)	391,529	408,345	(16,816)	(4%)
b	Communications & Reporting Implementation	142,250	81,971	60,279	42%
c	Travel on Official Business (contingency)	5,200	5,182	18	0%
<b>F ADMINISTRATION &amp; PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT</b>					
a	Administration (salaries & social cost)	408,381	405,766	(387)	
b	IUCN Administration Services	164,838	164,838		
c	Human Resources (salaries & social cost)	36,250	35,232	1,018	3%
d	IUCN Human Resources Services	60,209	60,209		
e	Other employment benefits	18,470	16,287	2,183	12%
f	Staff hiring and departure costs	25,375	23,606	1,767	7%
g	Staff termination and repatriation provisions		64,197	(64,197)	(100%)
<b>G FINANCE MANAGEMENT</b>					
a	Salaries & Social costs	168,931	166,857	74	
b	IUCN Finance Services	255,280	255,280		
c	Auditors fees		600		
<b>H OPERATING COSTS</b>					
a	IUCN Information Technology (IT) Services	66,489	66,489		
b	Operating Costs (photocopying, printing, courier, telephone, translation, postage, stationary, hospitality, bank charge)	91,500	95,083	(3,583)	(4%)
c	Purchase & Maintenance of Equipment/Office Supplies (Including depreciation)	11,560	9,437	2,123	18%
<b>I STANDING COMMITTEE SERVICES</b>					
a	Standing Committee delegates' support	46,360	46,721	(2,361)	(5%)
b	Simultaneous Interpretation at SC meetings	21,817	21,816	1	
<b>J MISCELLANEOUS</b>					
a	Bad debt provision	50,000	(23,516)	73,516	147%
b	Exchange loss	-	55,765	(55,765)	(100%)
	<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>4,206,277</b>	<b>4,239,384</b>		
	<b>Net Surplus for the year</b>		<b>87,884</b>		