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10th Meeting of the Conference of the Contracting Parties (Ramsar COP10) Changwon, Republic of Korea, 28 October – 4 November 2008

The Secretariat of the Convention on Wetlands (Ramsar, Iran, 1971) presents its compliments to the Permanent Mission of... and has the honour to refer to the following:

COP10 Documentation

The Ramsar Secretariat is pleased to enclose a CD-ROM containing all of the draft Resolutions approved by the Standing Committee for consideration and possible adoption at the 10th meeting of the Conference of the Contracting Parties, which, according to the current Rules of Procedure, must be made available to the Parties three months prior to the opening session of the COP.

Each of the 31 draft Resolutions will be found in the three working languages of the Convention – English, French, and Spanish – and in HTML, Microsoft Word, and Adobe Acrobat PDF formats. All are presently available on the Ramsar Web site as well, at http://www.ramsar.org/cop10/cop10_docs_index_e.htm#dr.

General and practical information about the COP, an on-line pre-registration facility, all National Reports received for the COP, and the results of all Ramsar Regional Meetings in preparation for the COP are also available on the Web site at www.ramsar.org/index_cop10_e.htm.

Additional COP documentation besides draft Resolutions, including regional and global implementation reports and supplementary information from the Scientific and Technical Review Panel (STRP) in support of some of the draft Resolutions, will be appearing on the Web site as they are completed and will be distributed (with the draft Resolutions) on a second CD-ROM in September 2008.

Registration for COP10

The Secretariat calls the attention of Contracting Parties to the fact that COP10 registration forms and initial information on hotel reservations and other practical information related to COP10 have already been distributed under Diplomatic Note 2008/4 of 16 June 2008, with copy to the Administrative Authority in each country. This information, plus further information on, *inter alia*, exhibition space and side events, is also available on the Ramsar Web Site at: http://www.ramsar.org/index_cop10_e.htm.

Contracting Parties are very strongly urged to complete the pre-registration and flight and accommodations procedures as soon as possible in order to avoid complications or disappointment.

The Secretariat of the Convention on Wetlands respectfully requests that the content of the present Note be communicated to the competent national authorities and avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Permanent Mission of... the assurance of its highest consideration.

Gland, 28 July 2008