



### 3<sup>rd</sup> Session of the Meeting of Parties

Bristol, United Kingdom, 24 – 26 July 2000

#### Resolution 3.9

Exception to Article XII of the Agreement

*The Meeting of the Parties to the Agreement on the Conservation of Bats in Europe;*

*Aware* that Article XII of the Agreement foresees that the Agreement shall enter into force for a signatory or acceding State on the thirtieth day after the deposit of its instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession;

*Acknowledging* the efforts made by acceding States to deposit their instrument of accession in due course before this Session of the Meeting of Parties;

Decides:

To exceptionally consider a State as a full Party to the Agreement if its instrument of accession was received by the Depositary before this Session of the Meeting of Parties.