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Draft Resolution 6.3

Geographical Scope of the Agreement



The Meeting of the Parties to the Agreement on the Conservation of Populations of European Bats (hereafter “the Agreement”),

Recalling Resolutions 2.5 and 5.11 on the Geographical Scope of the Agreement;

Further recalling the second Amendment to the Agreement giving additional emphasis to non-European Range States in which populations of European bats are occurring;

Noting that European bats migrate to and from beyond the previously designated geographical scope of the Agreement;

Recognising that populations of European bats are occurring throughout the Western Palearctic region;

Recognising the potential for bat agreements to be developed for the conservation of non-European bat populations;

Decides:

1. To repeal Resolutions 2.5 and 5.11;
2. That for the purposes of the Agreement, its geographical scope shall be defined as the Western Palearctic region, with the Svalbard Archipelago as the northern boundary, to the south the countries of the Mediterranean basin (extending to The Canary and Madeira islands), to the East the longitude 50° East and to the West the Azores at 30° West as boundaries;
3. To accept the list attached as Annex to this Resolution as the countries and Regional Economic Integration Organisations falling within the “Western Palearctic region” as described above.

Requests the Advisory Committee to keep abreast of new research on bat migration and to review the geographic scope of the Agreement accordingly, should this become necessary.

Annex

Albania	Latvia
Algeria	Lebanon
Andorra	Libya
Armenia	Liechtenstein
Austria	Lithuania
Azerbaijan	Luxembourg
Belarus	Macedonia (FYR)
Belgium	Malta
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Moldova
Bulgaria	Monaco
Croatia	Montenegro
Cyprus	Morocco
Czech Republic	Netherlands
Denmark	Norway
Egypt	Poland
Estonia	Portugal
European Union	Romania
Finland	Russia
France	San Marino
Georgia	Saudi Arabia
Germany	Serbia
Greece	Slovakia
Holy See	Slovenia
Hungary	Spain
Iran	Sweden
Iraq	Switzerland
Ireland	Syria
Israel	Tunisia
Italy	Turkey
Jordan	Ukraine
Kazakhstan	United Kingdom
Kuwait	